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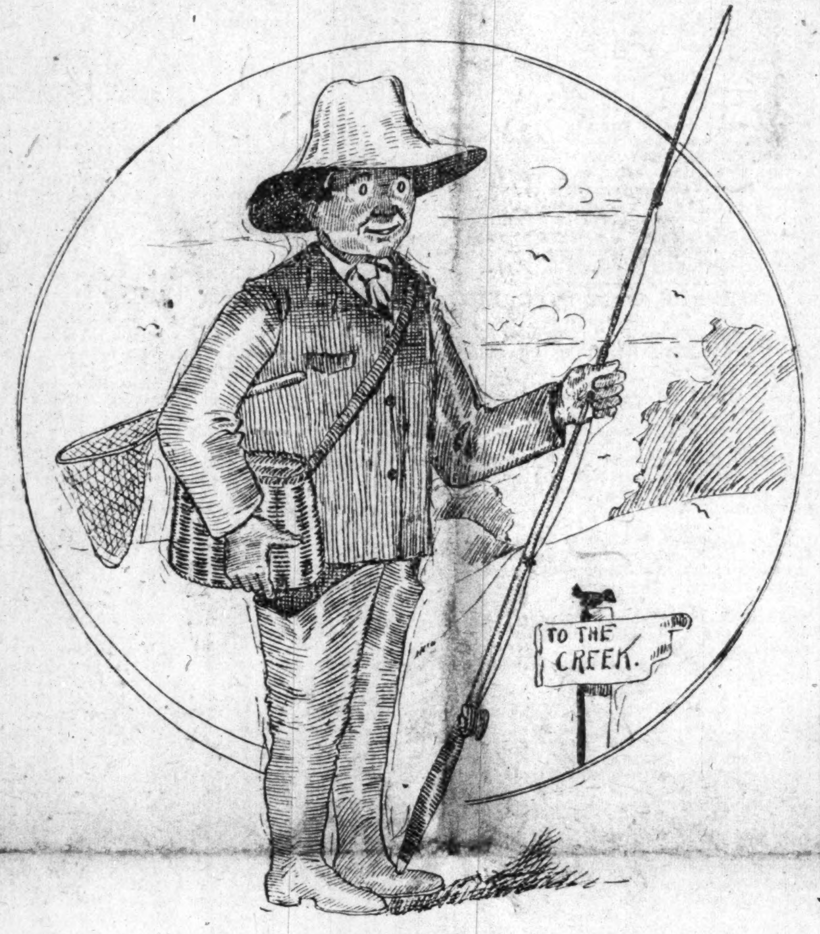
TO THE CREEK.

A specimen that haunts rivers, creeks and lakes during the summer.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

SECRETARY SCOTT SAYS NO TRUTH IN RUMOR

DR. WASHINGTON WILL NOT PURCHASE

Railroad in Texas—Protesting Against the Hardwick Bill—Some Notable Candidacies Are Launched in Church Circles.

Thompson's National News Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—Mr. Eemmett J. Scott, secretary to Dr. Booker T. Washington, spent Friday in the city, enroute from the North to Tuskegee Institute. He was whirled about town in the high-powered touring car of Dr. A. M. Curtis, with "Dr." Arthur Leo Curtis as chauffeur, making "fashionable calls" upon his friends.

Mr. Scott stated to your correspondent that there is absolutely no truth in the widespread rumor circulated by the Associated Press, to the effect that Dr. Washington is preparing to purchase the International and Great Northern Railroad, which is to be offered at a receiver's sale in a few days at Palestine, Texas.

"The full strength of Dr. Washington's mind, soul and body, for the remainder of his days will be given to the development of Tuskegee Institute and the manifold extension interests that it represents," said Mr. Scott. "Dr. Washington has not the slightest intention of buying for himself or for any one else any kind of a railroad, to be operated by Negro or any other kind of labor. You may state, with all possible emphasis, that there isn't a word of truth in the report as given out in the daily papers."

Mr. Scott also denied for the one-thousandth time the rumor that he might be induced to accept a high-salaried federal position in Washington. "Nay, nay," said Mr. Scott, with a knowing smile. "The 'simple life' at Tuskegee for me."

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Protesting Against the Harwick Bill.

The Financial Board of the A. M. E. church, at its session last week, appointed a committee to wait upon the republican members of Congress to protest against the passage of the so-called "Hardwick Bill," designed to repeal the 14th amendment to the Federal Constitution. It is regarded as one of the most vicious measures ever introduced in the national legislature, and if adopted, would strike at the very foundation of Negro citizenship. The committee was chapeoned by the Hon. Martin B. Madden, of Chicago, one of the race's ablest champions here and at home, and through him a goodly number of republican leaders were seen at his rooms in the House Office Building. The address of remonstrance was delivered in a firm and convincing manner by Rev. A. J. Carey, of Chicago, chairman of the committee, and the cordial spirit with which the representatives promised to do all they could to kill the infamous bill, indicated that the showing made for the Negro as a national asset would bear fruit. The other members of the committee, all of whom made inspiring talks, were: Revs. J. M. Conner, of Little Rock, Ark.; E. W. Lee, Atlanta, Ga.; Charles Bundy, Cleveland, O.; and J. R. Ransom, Topeka, Kan.

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Commencement at National Religious Training School.

It is a source of pride to all colored Washingtonians that Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, a staunch defender of the rights of man and the equality of all American citizens before the law, has consented to deliver the commencement address at the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., on Thursday, May 25. Justice Stafford is an orator and a scholar, and all who can reach Durham on the day he is to speak will be afforded the treat of a lifetime. Dr. J. E. Shepard, president of the school, announces that the other features of the interesting program for the commencement season will be as follows:

Sunday, May 21, 2:30 p. m.—Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Augustus P. Record, pastor Church of Unity, Springfield, Mass.; 7:30 p. m., address by President J. E. Shepard to the undergraduates.

Monday, May 22, 8:00 p. m.—Oratorical contest.

Tuesday, May 23, 8:00 p. m.—Address before Literary Societies by Dr. W. P. Few, president Trinity College, Durham, N. C.

Wednesday, May 24.—Class Day Exercises.

Thursday, May 25, 10:30 a. m.—Address by Justice Stafford.

A cordial welcome is assured all visitors to the school during the series. Announcement is made that the Summer School and Chautauqua, for which the enrollment is already large and growing, will open July 5 and continue to August 13.

Dr. Shepard passed through the city this week, accompanied by Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, bound for points in Ohio, where a vigorous campaign is to be waged in the interest of the National Religious Training School for the next fortnight.

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Ira T. Bryant on a "Business" Mission

Mr. Ira T. Bryant, secretary of the A. M. E. Sunday Schol Union, with headquarters at Nashville, Tenn., is here "looking 'em over." He is well known here, having served for a number of years in an important capacity in the government printing office. Mr. Bryant is attending to some details connected with his department, and it is expected that he will be ready to announce some startling plans in a short time—something that will make the whole church "sit up and take notice," so to speak. Mr. Bryant has made an enviable record as manager of the Sunday School Union, and he has more than redeemed his promise to redeem the institution from the chaos in which he found it. From a mass of mechanical junk and a job-lot of debts, with rare executive skill, he has evolved a printings business that it up-to-date in every particular and is a paying proposition.

At the session of the Financial Board, Mr. Bryant was a welcome visitor and the royal greeting he received at the hands of the "big men" of the church seemed to be an advance notice that the next General Conference will be ready to say "amen" to any reasonable changes he may suggest touching the management of the printing plants under the control of the denomination. They seem to recognize that Mr. Bryant is not only a practical printer of a gilt-edged variety, but a shrewd business man from the ground up.

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Some Notable Candidacies Launched.

As busy as the members of the Financial Board were last week, theer was time at recesses to launch some candidates and to take a few "soundings" as to the depth of water that some of the brethren drew. Nobody said anything directly, but as "a wink is as good as a nod to a blind man," your correspondent saw much but knows nothing. It is the consensus of opinion, as gathered by scraps of conversation here and there, that Dr. Hurst will be elected to the Bench of Bishops on the first ballot. Probably three will be elected—certainly two, to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Bishops Lampton and Grant. At least one more should be selected to allow for vacancies that may occur through death of superannuation. Dr. J. M. Conner, with the great southwest solidly behind him, and positive strength in the east and southeast, looms up as a favorite, and his friends pick him for a "sure winner" at Kansas City next year. Dr. E. W. Lee, of Georgia, will be "in the running" when the start is made, and there is a big field in which Dr. B. F. Watson, Dr. I. N. Ross and others will fifure.

Rev. A. J. Carey, pastor of the Institutional Church at Chicago, and editor-in-chief of the Conservator, makes no secret of the fact that he is willing to succeed Dr. Hurst as financial secretary. It is rumored that he gave the financial headquarters a thorough examination and decided that he would like to make his home there for at least four years, and served notice on the present occupant that a "dispossess" order awaited him. As Dr. Hurst has a bigger domicile in process of erection, the eviction will not be unwelcome. Dr. Carey is an experienced financier, a magnetic pulpiteer, a courageous defender of civic righteousnes sand an accomplished diplomat withal, he would be a valuable addition to the roster of leaders in the laissez faire community. Dr. Carey has some large policies he would like to put into operation for the benefit of the church, and it would be a nice thing, from his viewpoint, if the brethren would give him an opportunity to see how well he can work them out.

On the face of things, just now, the favorite combination for the two vacancies on the A. M. E. Bench of Bishops, is made up of Drs. John Hurst and J. M. Conner, while among the Zionists, Drs. J. S. Jackson, financial secretary, and George C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, sustain the same happy relation for the two vacancies there.

Among the A. M. E.'s it is understood that Drs. A. J. Kershaw, of Florida, and J. R. Ransom, of Kansas, will try for the office of financial secretary; A. L. Gaines, of Baltimore, R. C. Ransom, of New York, and R. R. Wright Jr., of Philadelphia, will stand for the editorship of the Christian Recorder. tI is likely that Mr. Ira T. Bryant will ask that he be made business manager of the book concern, in connection with his present duties as secretary of the Sunday School Union, without additional salary.

The situation is growing in interest, and the campaign may be said to be "on in earnest."

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Ex-Register Vernon Tells Taft "Good-Bye."

Accompanied by Senator Curtis, of Kansas, Former Register William Tecumseh Vernon called at the White House last Saturday to bid President Taft "good-bye." It is Dr. Vernon's intention to leave Washington shortly to take up some educational work. He feels very kindly toward the President, and harbors no resentment toward any one because of the political exigencies that led to a change in the Register's office. He stands upon his record, which was unexcelled in point of efficiency and personal deportment. The President assured Dr. Vernon that he carried with him his best wishes for success in whatever field he might find congenial, and would not forget the valuable service the Kansan had rendered at a period when the help of every patriotic citizen was needed.

Dr. Vernon makes no definite announcement of his plans at this time, but will do so in due season. For the present he will remain in the city, closing out some business interests and arranging some addresses for his numerous commencement engageemnts.

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Mme. Anita Patti Brown's Recitals.

Mme. Anita Patti Brown, the race's noted coloratura soprano, has arrived in town, and makes her initial appearance this evening at the Metropolitan Baptist church. Tomorrow night she will be at the First Baptist church in Georgetown. Other engagements will follow. Mme. Brown is a graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Music, and comes highly recommended by the best musical authorities of the country. She has just concluded a successful tour of the south, giving recitals under the auspices of the most cultured societies, churches and schools. Dr. Booker T. Washington is said to have been greatly impressed with her range of selections, both popular and classic, and from the lavish commendation received at the hands of the press everywhere, her work is of a character to please all classes. She will do well here.

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Bishop Walters Pleads for Broader Political Horizon.

Bishop Alexander Walters, pleading for a broader political horizon for the American Negro, was an inspiring speaker at last week's meeting of the famous Bethel Literary and Historical Association. He addressed one of the omst representative audiences of the year and so carefully did he handle his difficult subject, not even the most radical opjponent to his political theories could find reason to sound a discordant note. The Bishop's theme was "Some Reflections upon the Present Day Problems of the Race."

Bishop Walters deplored the world-wide increase in the tension of race prejudice as shown in the London objections to the presence of Dr. DuBois at a banquet of philosophers; the calling off of a tea of equal suffragists in New York because Mrs. Mary Church Terrell was to be invited; and in the hasty and uncalled for assault upon Dr. Booker T. Washington in a center of so-called civilization, merely because a Negro is regarded as a "suspicious character." Nevertheless, he found great encouragement in the many open doors yet left to the race—the home, the school, the church, the professions, politics, new avenues of industrial activity and in Christian character and civic usefulness. These doors could not be closed against us by any one.

In espousing a division of the Negro vote betwene the parties, the Bishop saw a chance to make new and strong friends, an opportunity to enlarge his sphere of influence and to relieve the race of the charge of metnal blindness, political narrowness and slavish adherence to a name merely for the name's sake, when all that it once meant had vanished into thin air. This political serfdom has made republicans indifferent to our claims, and has arrayed the democrats solidly against us. It behooves a helpless people to have friends on both sides in a country where either party is likely to gain control of the government. If President Taft can see the wisdom of such a division, he saw no reason why colored republicans could not aqord to follow the advice of so experienced and far-seeing a counsellor.

A remarkable feature of the meeting was the readiness with which the subsequent speakers agreed with the broad tenets laid down by the energetic prelate. Among those who spoke in approving vein were Judge Robert H. Terrell, Auditor Ralph W. Tyler and Assistant District Attorney James A. Cobb, leading officeholders under the Taft administration. Former Register W. T. Vernon, Rev. S. L. Corrothers, and Rev. A. J. Carey, of Chicago, endorsed the Bishop's attitude.

Dr. Carey, in an impassioned speech which "brought down the house," justified the recent action of the colored voters of Chicago in standing by Carter Harrison, a liberal democrat, in preference to Charles E. Merriam, a "silk-stocking" republican, who evinced no concedn as to the welfare of the Negro citizens of that community and whose nomination was objectionable to them. The meeting has been the talk of the town and it is pretty generalyy agreed that the timely and well-tempered remarks of Bishop Walters will not soon be forgotten by the thinking people who heard them. While here the Bishop had a number of very satisfactory interviews with Speaker Champ Clark and other prominent democrats, touching the fair treatment of colored men in the distribution of the patronage about the capitol. Bishop Walters' requests were listened to cordially and assurance was given by leading democrats that the Negro attaches and those who sought places would be given a square deal.

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The News in Brief.

At St. Luke's P. E. church last Thursday night, Bishopu Harding confirmed eleven candidates.

Following an exhaustive discussion of "Journalism" at the last meeting of the Mu-So-Lit Club, Robert A. Pelham, formerly editor of the Detroit Plaindealer, announced that he might soon return to active newspaper work, admitting that the virus was creeping back into his veins, just as a "fan" gets the baseball fever in the spring. "Bob" can come back.

Dr. W. P. Thirkield is attending an educational convention at Jacksonville, Fla. He will visit Tuskegee and other southern schools before returning. The flurry at Howard University over the resignations of Messrs. Gregory and Washington has subsided. The committe has decided that to reverse its action accepting the resignations would be subversive of the discipline of the institution, and the case will not be reopened.

A bill was introduced by Senator Gallinger Monday to provide for the incorporation of an organization known as "The National Christian Congress Association of America." Its object is to bring about better relations between the white and colored races, etc. The incorporators are headed by Robert P. Robinson, and the chief offices will be in Washington.

Former Grand Master and Mrs. W. L. Houston were "at home" Tuesday evening at their beautiful residence, 1314 V street in honor of Mrs. Edward H. Morris, wife of the Grand Master of the G. U. O. of O. F.

Mr. J. C. Asbury, special deputy for the Ancient Order of Odd Fellows, of Leeds, England, is expected in the city soon, to go over the matter of introducing the new order here. The local factions, so far, are non-committal on the subject. Some want another fight, and will go to Atlanta next year, cocked and primed for battle.

A dairy lunch room is being established in the capitol. A bill has been introduced in Congress to restrict the service to white patrons. Another bill has been brought forward to prevent intermarriage of races, black, white, red or yellow, in the District of Columbia.

There is no miscegenation law in the District of Columbia. One day last week two white women were led to the altar by men "of color"—one a Chinaman, the other a Negro. On the same day a Chinaman wedded a Negro woman. No, there is a stir about it and an agitation for an all-round anti-miscegenation law is in the wind. The prescription is to include even the Filipino and the Indian. Cupid must not cut up capers in the District, not if Congressman Hardwick can hold down the pert little god of love.

Prof. W. E. B. DuBois is said to aspire to a chair at Howard University.

The Baltimore and Washington Conference of the A. M. E. church is in session at Baltimore this week.

The effifficient colored men at the capitol are to be retained, for most part. Henry Neal, for years messenger to the Speaker, will remain with Champ Clark. He has served under Carlisle, Crisp, Reed, Henderson and Cannon, and isc a valuable man to have around. Harry Parker stays with the Ways and Means. Charles L. Barnes is a new appointee. He is a member of the "old guard," that grew up in the palmy days of C. H. J. Taylor, "Milt" Turner, and Robert G. Still. Stenographer Joseph E. Johnson is legislated out of offifice and Aaron Russell's salary is cut, but it is expected that additional employees allowed will give the Negroes a larger quota later on.

The Tennesseans will banquet Register J. C. Napier at Odd Fellows Hall Monday evening, May 1. Covers are laid for over 200. Mr. J. M. Trigg, former member of the Board of Aldermen at Knoxville, Tenn., will be toastmaster.

Assistant Attorney-General W. H. Lewis is at work, and the government at Washington stil llives. The social setanding of the timorus whites is still at par.

Hon. James Bryce, Ambassador from Great Britain, will address the Y. M. C. A. Sunday, April 30, at the New Howard theater. Senator Borah's speech last Sunday, "Some Reasons Why," was a splendid effort.

A number of colored democrats are preparing to attend the national convention of Negro Jeffersonians at Indianapolis, Ind., May 17.

TOLEDO, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

M. O. Ford, colored, was brought into court this morning, on a charge of assaulting another colored man, who came in court with his face and head badly lacerated.... Oliver Carl, colored was brought into court this morning but his case was continued until the 25th.... Bessie Moore, colored, was brought into court on a charge of beating up a white man, but was discharged with the costs of court. She was defended by Alburtus Brown, a local attorney.... John Eubank, colored, was brought into court charged with the murder of Charles Eubank, and was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of murder in the first degree.

NEGRO PLEASURE RESORT

SEASIDE PARK LOCATED AT PENSACOLA, FLA.

IS CONTROLLED BY COLORED MEN

Accommodations are Good—New M. E. Church to be Erected—Bill Prohibiting Harem Skirt Before Legislature.

Walker W. Thomas.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Seaside Park is one of the greatest pleasure resorts for colored people on the bay. Everybody goes there to breathe fresh air. It is located across the bay. They also have accommodation for bathing, dancing, and fishing is good there. This pleasure resort is operated and owned by colored men. Any one desiring to rent Seaside Park, see Mr. M. A. Fowler, the tailor, at 27 West ZaZngosta street.... The Crisis will be here this week at the drug store.... Mr. Aaron Johnson has purchased the controlling share of Moro Castle Park for the season. Any one desiring to rent it may see him on East Wright street, near the depot.... Pensacola women are always just a little prettier than those of any other city, but Easter Sunday they almost reached the degree of perfection. .... The All Stars delightfully entertained at a dance at the K. of P. Castle Hall last Wednesday night, April 18. A very enjoyable evening was spent by a large crowd. Committee, A. Toney, S. Weatherspoon. Music was furnished by Barris' orchestra.... Mr. John Williams, one of our popular business men, arrived last week afte rspending a few pleasant weeks in Atlanta and other cities.... Mr. Frank Rachel, formerly pianist for the Nono Barris Orchestra, died at his home in Atlanta, Ga., and mamny of his friends were quite shocked to learn of his death. .... Mrs. John Hayes, the beloved wife of Mr. John Hayes, died at her home at the Big Bayou, after an illness of four weeks. Her death was quite a shock to her many friends, in and out of town.... Miss Paine, of Greenville, Ala., left last week for her home, affter spending a few weeks as the guest of Mrs. Chapell, of East Hill. While here she was highly entertained by a number of her friends.... Messrs. Johnny Ewing and Robert Elmore, of Mobile, Ala., are spending a few weeks here.... The Nono Barris Orchestra is making a big hit. They are ready for all engagements. When you have them play you have some classy music——The members of the C. M. E. Church are hard at work to erect a new church on the grounds..... The egg hunt given by big Zion Sunday school was a great success.... The East Hill Pleasure Club has open[illegible]t-class ice cream parlor on East Oregon street, and they invite all their friends to come around and inspect their new place of business. Miss Bessie Barrios, clerk. H. Goodwin, manager.... Mr. James Frederick, of West Jackson street, is a very sick man.... The St. Joseph Society entertained at a dance at their hall on West Government street. The entire society set was present and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Music was furnished by Collins' full orchestra. .... Mrs. Anderson Douglas has been on the sick list. Her many friends were glad to see her out again.... The Freeman and Crisis at all drug stores.... Pensacola society witnessed another series of games last week at Lincoln Park. The attendance was very large every day. Our visitor was the Philadelphia Giants, who proved themselves to be first-class ball players. The fans are still in favor of the local boys.... The Jack Harris cafe is serving good meals at all hours. They invite all around.... Florida may never see the harem skirts worn, as a bill prohibiting them has been introduced in the State Legislature, which is now in session.... Picnics and dances will be the go, now that the Lenten season is over.... Mrs. C. M. Lang has been quite ill for the past few days.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the various churches and places of worship Easter services were unusually devotional. At Rev. J. T. Hill's Mt. Zion Baptist church the Knights Templar had their annual sermon under the auspices of the grand commandery of California. The enormous attendance was due largely to the indefatigable and intelligent work of Rev. Hill. The commanderies were escorted by the famous Citizens' band.... At Rev. McCay's Second Baptist church Sunday evening the commemoration of the resurrection was observed in music and song praises. After scripture lessons were read Rev. McCray turned the exercises over to the choir, who acquitted themselves creditably. It is rumored Rev. McCray is to be a benedict.... The incantation as witnessed by the writer at what is called Asuage Mission is almost inconceivable, and I dare say that other visitors question the sanity of the participants, owing to their temerity, after listening to a lot of gibbering the writer asked the nature of the services. The information gleaned was that they were talking in Tongues; suppressing my merriment, it was finally exploded when an intoxicant staggered in and was greeted in Tongues (as it is called) by one of the worshippers, he slowly drew from his pocket a well-filled flask and stammeringly told the Reverend gentleman to "take a drag on me.... The Musicale on Monday evening by St. Phillips' choir was quite a success, both musically and financially Wheaton's orchestra was in attendance and played some very classy pieces..... The Kansas-Missouri club was entertained by Mrs. A. Williams, of Maple avenue, April 18. As usual the members enjoyed themselves. After refreshments were served, and time to go the president entertained a motion to thank the hostess. A vote of acclamation: that she's a hospitable hostess. Mrs. Williams was formerly of Texas and Little Rock, Ark——At the A. M. E. church Sunday morning the services were unusually good. With the fragrant flowers and the singing of the canaries and mocking birds and the songs by the splendid choir, added zest to the services. The childrens' program in the evening crowned the Easter exercises of the day. It was a rally day. Several hundred dolars was realized in the collection.... The Easter ball given by the Florida Frous was quite elaborate. Prof. McVea's orchestra put on a good program of new and catchy music.... Get The Free-Texans, Georgians and Louisians, of which man from L. G. Eggleston, 8[illegible]2 Maple avenue.... Clubs have been organized here by Kansas-Missouri is considered the mother club.

PASSADENA, CAL.

Mrs. Kate Mann Baker and Mrs. Bertha L. Turner recently entertained a few of their friends from Indianapolis. Those present from Indianapolis on both occasions were Mr. and Mrs. McFall, Mrs. Bradshaw, Misses Bradshaw, Mass, Murdock and Henderson, Messrs. Murdock and Campbell.... Rev. J. E. Tice, S. P. B., a graduate of Lincoln University and formerly dean of theology in Mississippi University, Holly Springs, has come to Pasadena with the intention of making this city his home. Rev. Tice and his family are stopping with one of his farmer pupils, Mrs. B. C. Offutt.... Miss Marie Ford entertained in honor of Miss Pearl Grant, a graduate of Crystalford College and Industrial School. Miss Grant is spending the winter with her aunt, Mrs. Jas. Morton. .... Mr. George Carnahan and sister, Miss Edna Carnahan, entertained beautifully last week in honor of Miss Hobbs, of Kentucky.... Misses Hazel Brown, Ednah Adams, Alberta Meuths and Matty Dudley, four strong, athletic girls, walked from Santa Monica to Pasadena, a distance of about thirty-five miles, in twelve hours. These young ladies are to be commended upon their athletic abilities.... The members and well-wishers of Scott M. E. Church fell very much elated over their rally, in which they raised over $400, last Sunday.... The churches of Pasadena should be commended upon their beautiful Easter services Sunday. Their beautiful music added to the solemnity of the music immensely.... Any one wishing a copy of the Freeman can secure it by calling phone Main 1097.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

The Mosaic Templars Great Week of Feast and Drink From a Full

Special to THE FREEMAN.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.—The Mosaic Templars had indeed a great week of feast and drink from a full fountain. The State's Grand Master, Hon. L. L. Powell, who is truly a Moses for this people, paid his semi-annual visit to the lodges of this city and Florence. His report of the progress along all lines showed a wonderful growth in the past year. Up to date fifty temples have been set up, with more than 75 members each. "A hundred thousand or bust" is their goal, and under the great leadership of such an able man as State Grand Master Powell, the mark will be reached. This State already leads all States in the Union except the home State of the grand and noble order—Arkansas. A wise and brave captain who will lead will have brave and well trained soldiers. State Grand Master Powell is truly a wise and brave captain—a Moses leading a host of well trained soldiers, fearless and bold, that will serve, with God being their helper, plant the rod and staff of this order upon the highest mount. Much credit is due the worthy mistresses, Mrs. C. Mullens, of L. L. Powell Chamber, who leads them all; Mrs. Lizzie Jackson, of Harmony Chamber; Mrs. Zella Price, Eastern Star, and Sister Dellia, whose reports were the best of any in the State.

On the occasion of a public installation of a Temple set up by Mrs. Mullins, in Florence, the Street Car Company tendered them a special car, which was held in wait for them until after 12 a. m. The members and friends showed their appreciation by packing the car. A good old song was sung while crossing the big Tennessee River, led by Bro. Powell.

Mr. Mark Rutler, clerk in the leading dry goods store of this city, has made good. He is held in high respect by his employers. He is the only colored clerk in a white store in this county, and is very popular with his hundreds of customers. It is to be regretted that his wife is in very poor health.

Rev. J. R. Christian, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, of Ensley, Ala., is spending this week in the city, with Rev. E. D. Kain, pastor of the C. M. E. Church, of this city.... The rally at the C. M. E. Church Sunday was a financial success. .... Rev. J. R. Christian preached an able sermon Sunday night.... The musical program rendered Sunday night at the A. M. E. Church was grand.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The members of the U. S. Aid Club No. 1 request all of the members to be present at their next meeting at 642 South Fifteenth street. The club will install the officers elected for the year, and expect to have a jolly good time.... Milton Crockett, the head chef on the Quarter Boat No. 2, is very busy getting his cooks ready to leave on the first of May for the upper Ohio river on the Survey. Primrose Stafford, head waiter, is also getting his fromcrew in good shape.... Mr. James N. Caldwell has returned from Bloomfield, Ky., where he went to attend the funeral of his grandfather, Fred Salone, who departed this life April 20, 1911, aged 97 years.... Mrs. Josephine Thurman, an old resident of Portland, died April 19, 1911. She leaves a brother and sister, Mrs. Kate Willhite, widow of the late Rev. J. Willhite, of Birmingham, Ala.

OWENSBORO, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There have been two good games of ball played here during the preceding week. The Owensboro High School team met their defeat at the hands of the Evansville Y. M. C. A. boys on April 22, at the South Side park, but will meet in Evansville with return game. The Owensboro Gazettes romped away with the Owensboro-Louisville Cubs on Sunday, April 23, at the South Side park. The fans were very enthusiastic over the outcome of the game and turned out in full. The batteries of Owensboro were Nogley and Jackson, of O-L cubs Green and Wigfall and Taylor.... The Orphans Home building, at the corner of Seventh and Vine streets, is nearly completed, making it a nice and unique structure.

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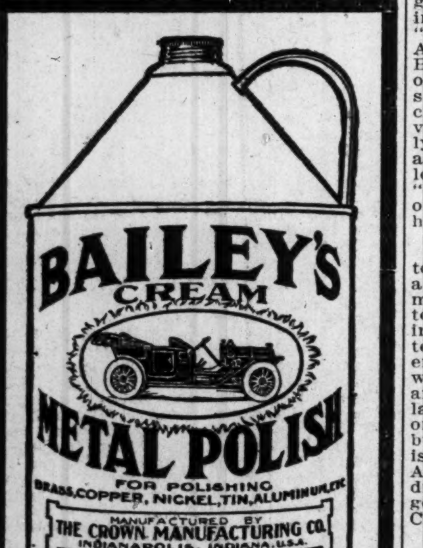
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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON

Being a "national correspondent" is a fine business for a fellow who does not need any money.

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Despite "Sam Weller's" time-honored warning, "vidders" continue to go well in the matrimonial market.

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As national organizer of the National Negro Business League, Prof. Charles H. Moore is the right man in the right place.

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The attention of those "appealers to Europe" is called to that turndown administered to Prof. DuBois in the London banquet matter.

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Grand Master W. M. Alexander, of Little Rock, is making things hum among the Mosaic Templars of America. He ought to be elected for life.

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Bert Williams' level headedness amid his phenomenal prosperity is a gratifying evidence that some men can be successful without being spoiled.

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It is being demonstrated thus early that as Secretary to the President, the Hon. Charles D. Hilles belongs to the Lamont, Cortelyou and Loeb class.

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Dr. Booker T. Washington is going on in the even tenor of his way, enjoying the confidence and esteem of a grateful people, regardless of their views on educational systems or other side issues.

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The sneak whom the old heads used to call "white folks niggers" are not to be trusted with the welfare of the race. Keep your eyes skinned for these traitors and bootlickers. They'll "put you in."

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The Negro has reached the automobile stage in good shape, but he seems to balk at the airship. The sensible colored man feels that solid grounds is safer than getting at hitching distance to the stars.

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The race insists that leaders must pull more than their own weight, or show cause why they should not surrender their claims to primacy. The plain people are willing to pay the freight, but the "B. N.'s" must deliver the goods.

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"O, you Governer Blease!" is all the Southern Indicator, of Spartansburg, S. C., has to say about the antics of the Palmetto State's poor excuse for a chief executive. And, "that's a plenty," Editor Morgan. Thanks for copy of the paper.

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Blackmailing journalists who thrive on their ability to fry the fat out of folks by playing on their fears should make careful note of the fate of several scribblers who have been jailed lately for literary sandbagging.

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The editors are sending them in. The corresponding secretary of the National Negro Press Association would also like a statement touching circulation, equipment, number of paid employes, etc. Write us at 1004 S street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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New York has a "Negro Trade Journal," conducted by T. Frederick Small, who is also second vice president of the National Negro Press Association. The Journal carries an interesting directory showing the principal Negro business concerns of the United States.

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Georgia has a new dialect poet in the person of Thomas Jefferson Flanagan. It is not stated whether or not he is related to the famous Texan who asked "What are we here for?" or to that other active son of the "ould sod" who was so frequently "off agin, on again, and gone agin."

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The Western North Carolina Advocate, published by W. J. Trent at Asheville, N. C., is a bright little sheet. Mr. Trent is secretary of the Young Men's Institute in "the land of the sku" and has been instrumental in erecting and paying for a handsome building for that useful organization.

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Bardstown, Kentucky, leaps into the national eye because of the remarkable fact that it is the originating point of two great men—Congressman Ben Johnson, chairman of the house committee on the District of Columbia, and Bishop Alexander Walters, the most luminous figure upon the Episcopal bench of the A. M. E. Zion Church.

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There may be eventually a "United White Methodism" and a "United Negro Methodism," but a "United Methodism," with all colors on the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man" basis —never! There isn't enough Christianity in the Caucasian race to make such a union possible—not yet.

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The Amsterdam News, the Calvert (Texas) Bugle, the Boston Advocate and the National Union, Washington, D. C., are recent subscribers to the service furnished by Thompson's National News Bureau. For the benefit of many correspondents who write to us at various points in care of numerous persons, let it be known that our postoffice address is 1004 S street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

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The enemies of woman suffrage are reviving the story that the fair sex enjoyed the privilege of the ballot in New Jersey away back in 1776, but lost it through fraudulent practices. In the presidential election of 1800, every legal voter, white and black, male and female, attended the polls, 'tis said. There was much fraud on both sides, and the women were made the scapegoats. As a result, the suffrage was then restricted to male citizens. At the cheating game, we do not believe the women can pull off any heavier stunts than the men folks.

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The "yellow journals" have made it exceptionally hard for the black man to go about without being suspected of evil intentions. Such scare headlines as "Negro Snatches Pocket Book," "Negro Assaults White Woman" and "Black Brutes Murder Child," have made timorous white people afraid to have a strange Negro around them. The Council of Upper Classmen of Howard University is doing an excellent and timely work in moving to suppress this damaging exploitation of the crimes of our lower orders. It is putting the race "in bad" and endangering the lives of our best men, as the New York incident has shown.

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Our visit to the Durham Textile Factory, an institution run by Negroes on a strictly business basis, was one of the most delightful episodes of our recent tour of North Carolina with the Washington party. Fourteen industrious, intelligent and skillful young women are engaged in operating the spindles and work they turn out is up to the standard of any of the mills of New England. The pair of maroon socks which one of the handsomest girls in the bunch presented to me, are the most satisfactory foot covering I have ever worn. A tourist has not seen Durham until he drops in and looks over the "classy" goods turned out by the Durham Textile Company.

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The Defender, published at Sumter, S. C., by W. T. Andrews, has done the race and the Republican party a service of inestimable value by showing up in a vivid light the unsavory political record of one John G. Capers, who is a Democrat or a Republican, according to the effect upon his pocketbook, and a Negro hater all the time. Such unscrupulous political renegades should be put out of business, and Editor Andrews is leaving no stone unturned to accomplish this very meritorious purpose. The Negro Republicans are a power in South Carolina and command the respect of the national administration and of all the members of the party whose support is worth while.

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And now those poor souls that make up Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont's Political Equality Association in New York City cannot enjoy themselves for fear that the colored members of the organization will be present at the forthcoming complimentary ball at Terrace Garden in May. The ball is to be a brilliant affair, with all sorts of fancy dances and special features. Many of the dear girls who were planning their gowns have cancelled their orders until they find out if the Negroes will be permitted to attend the ball. There is a growing element of Caucasians who make themselves miserable in a constant effort to keep the black folks from having a look-in on the good things of life.

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Malfeasance in fraternal orders—all too frequent—has received a severe blow in the removal of N. D. aJckson from the office of Grand Chief Mentor, of the Georgia branch of the International Order of Twelve, Knights and Daughters of Tabor. The charge against Mr. aJckson was misappropriation of funds, and the amount said to have been embezzled was $3,816.22. He is said to have usurped the functions of every other officer in the body, performing the duties of Chief Grand Mentor, Chief Grand Scribe, Chief Grand Treasurer and Chief Grand Everything and Everybody —and made no reports about anything to anybody. In fact, he was a modern "Pooh Bah," according to the statement of the Board of Curators of the order, published in the Atlanta Independent. Mr. Jackson was not only dismissed from his office, but was expelled from the order because of his alleged defalcation. The Knights of Tabor has thus set an example that should be followed by every fraternal body, church or organization that is infested with "grafters," who thrive upon the confidence of hard-working men and women, who trust them with funds that are supposed to go for the relief of widows and orphans or for the uplift of humanity in general.

SELMA, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Special Easter services were held in all of our churches. The music at Brow'n Chapel was a special feature and was greatly enjoyed. The very fine display of costumes worn by both men and women augurs well for the financial condition of this section....Prof. R. B. Hudson succeeded in bringing the next meeting of the State Teachers' Convention to our town... Dr. D. M. Brown's jewelry establishment will take rank with any in the county. He has just put $1,500 worth of up-to-date fixtures....The city schools will close early in May. The session has been one of the best in the history of the scool and principal and faculty are to be congratulated on the good work done.... Messrs. Jones and Reed have organized a fall term and will, in a short time, be ready for all comers....Mr. James Walker has been appointed a railway postal clerk and will commence work in a day or so... Several Selmians are expecting to attend the marriage of Miss Wilma Pettiford at Birmingham on the 25th.

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

The Odd Fellows of Atlanta, Ga., propose a $50,000 structure for lodge and other purposes.

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Vernon, Oklahoma, is a new town in that State, named in honor of the ex-register of the treasury, W. T. Vernon.

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Report has it that J. P. Morgan, the well-known financier and art connoisseur, will retire his colored man "Jake" on $40 per week.

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The Tuskegee students have forwarded Bishop I. B. Scott their annual donation in support of the Tuskegee chapel in Liberia, Africa.

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Rev. B. F. Watson, formerly noted as the singing preacher, but more recently secretary of the church extension of the A. M. E. church, is prominently mentioned for Bishop.

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Mrs. Booker T. Washington stands charged with having violated the "Jim Crow" laws of three States according to information. Prosecution is threatened the companies over whose roads she road. The laws of Texas, Arkansas and Tennessee are said to have been violated.

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A memorial to Paul Lawrence Dunbar is to be erected at Tuskegee Institute by the school teachers of Dayton, O. A committee composed of Superintendent Brown, Miss Campbell, Mr. William Prinz and Miss Clara Daneer has been appointed to decide upon some fitting form of memorial and plans for raising the necessary funds.

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Senator James A. O'Gorman, of New York, who was formerly a judge, is said to have kindly regards for colored people. In the Hannah Ellias case the Negro woman who got a million and more from a Mr. Platt, he decided in favor of the woman who retained the money and property.

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Announcement has been made by Rev. J. Gordon McPherson, president of the Progressive Colored Citizens' Club, of Spokane, Wash., that the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the emancipation proclamation by Abraham Lincoln will be celebrated by the colored citizens of Spokane in a "Golden Jubilee Fair" the week of September 23, 1912.

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Another pamphlet has appeared from the prolific pen of the veteran scholar and thinker of the race, Dr. E. W. Blyden, D. D., LL. D. The title of the present work is "The Arabic Bible in the Soudan; a Plea for Transliteration." It is, I understand, the first of a series of four, which the doctor hopes to complete if his life is spared.—The Lagos Standard, West Coast, Africa.

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Hugh E. Macbeth, editor of the Baltimore (Md.) Times, is a firm believer in the necessity of a national Negro daily paper. He says that the weekly paper is too slow for these strenuous times in America and that the precent circumscribed position of the American Negro demands that he have some organ for defense as well as to chronicle his daily happenings of an upward trend.

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The following is noted in an Eastern publication of Theodore Cable, son of George W. Cable, of Indianapolis: Theodore Cable, a Negro student in Harvard is looked upon by the varsity coaches as the most promising of the new material developed this year. He won the 16-pound hammer throw at the annual spring meet last week with a heave of 144 feet and 10 inches, and is regarded as a sure winner in all the meets this spring up to the intercollegiates, where the students figure his chances for first are good.

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Dr. A. M. Curtis, of Boston, president of the National Medical Association, has named the following well-known physicians as delegates to the International Medical Association for the Prevention of War, pursuant to the invitation extended by that body to have the N. M. A. represented therein: Dr. George C. Hall, of Chicago; Dr. John E. Hunter, of Lexington, Ky.; Dr. A. M. Brown, of Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. Marcus E. Wheatland, of Newport, R. I.; Dr. George E. Cannon, of Jersey City, N. J.; and Dr. M. O. Dumas, of Washington, D. C. The International Association meets in Paris in June.

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Bishop I. B. Scott, of the M. E. church, has the African work of the church assigned him. In a lecture delivered when on his last visit to the United States he gave out some very valuable information as to the custom and inhabitants of the natives. Among other things, he said:

"One hundred and fifty millions are inhabiting Africa, not one million of them having any pretense toward literacy.

"The tribes generally have very strikingly different characteristics, but some are so nearly alike that certain tribes have each a tattoo mark to distinguish them. The Croo have a mark of which they are extremely proud, because they have never submitted to slavery and, as they say, never will.'

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Kappa Alpha Nu is the name of the fraternity recently organized by the colored boys of the University. The members are Diggs, Caine, Lee, Edmunds, Blakemore, Armstrong, Irvin, Alexander, Asher, Grant and Mitchell. It now occupies the house at 425 East Kirkwood avenue. It is believed that with the old men who will return and the new ones that have been pledged, it will be possible next year to secure a much larger house. The organization here is the only fraternity of colored men in the country. Recently, steps have been taken, looking to the establishment of chapters at other universities with the hope of building up ultimately, a large brotherhood of college men. To this end articles of incorporation for the general organization have been filed with the Secretary of State.—The Student, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.

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Mrs. Maude Cuney Hare, pianist, and Mr. Clarence Cameron White, violin virtuoso, gave a recital last week in the Institute Chapel before a large audience. The yreceived an ovation. Mrs. Hare and Mr. White were assisted by Miss Winter, the choir, under Mrs. Lee's direction, and the orchestra, directed by Capt. Smith.

THE PROGRAM.

Mr. White
1. Concerto, Op. 64......Mendelssohn
Allegro, Molto appassionata.
Mrs. Hare
2. Marche Triomphale ....Grieg
Choir
3. In this Hour of Softened Splendor
.... Pinsuti
Mr. White
4. (a) Cradle Song ....Tor Aulin
(b) Gavotte .... Gossec
(c) Canzometta ...... d'Ambrosia
(d) Scherzo .... Van Gonens
Orchestra
5. Spring Song ....Mendelssohn
Mrs. Hare and Mr. White
6. Sonate, Op. 24.............Sjogren
Miss Winter
7. Since Then ....Alfred Anderson
Mrs. Hare
8. (a) Steal Away S. Coleridge-Taylor
(b) Bamboula..S. .Coleridge-Taylor
Orchestra
9. The Anvil Chorus ....Verdi
Mr. White
10. Ballade ....S. Coleridge-Taylor
Mrs. Hare accompanist.

Both Mrs. Hare and Mr. Winter are artists of whom we may all be proud. Mrs. Hare's playing showed that she is an accomplished as well as a finished pianist, and Mr. White's violin numbers were played in most artistic fashion. Both artists enpoy an enviable reputation throughout the country.

Miss Winter sang daintily, and the contributions by the choir and orchestra were excellent.—Tuskegee Student.

PUBLICATIONS.

"The Life of Charles Sumner," by Walter G. Shotwell, is an interesting volume of 723 pages. It deals in a very close-up manner with the life of the distinguished senator of Massachusetts, and the happening and incidents of his life and career. Owing to his day, his education and manhood together with his political prominence, his activities are of the utmost importance, since they are so largely associated with the history of the country.

Besides this, is a fine life set forth by the author, of one who dared to do right and suffered. Beyond this yet was a splendid personality making for one of the most lovable characters in the annals of American affairs.

Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., publishers, New York.

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"Fifty-two Suggestive Sermons, Syllabi," by Bishop L. J. Coppin, of the A. M. E. Church, is one of the best things done by colored men. The volume of 268 pages and is a storehouse of information and preachment along moral, esthetic and religious lines. The object of the author seems to have been to give a generous sweep of the essentials for discussing the various topics that ministers find necessary to deal with.

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"Ingersoll," by Herman E. Kittredge, is a well written, highly entertaining volume of 545 pages. The author, judging from the earnestness and warmth of expressions, is a staunch admirer of the distinguished orator. He leaves nothing undone to set forth Mr. Ingersoll's value and in the meanwhile attempts to conceal none of his views in religion, seeming, if anything, to be zealous in making his views known.

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An extended life of his, Mr. Ingersoll's family, his parents is an interesting foreground of the volume, especially that of his preacher father, who was as vigorously pro-Christian as his son was anti.

The Dresden Publishing Company, of New York, publishers.

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"A Century of Indiana," by Edward E. Moore, is the striking title of a highly recommended work, dealing with Indiana in a historic way. The volume is valuable, owing to the vital information so necessary to the schools and the professions generally. The best authorities of the State speak most cheerfully of the production, practically guaranteeing it as worthy of a high place among the books of the citizens of Indiana.

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In nature or in fancy; climb on thou bold
And God-like power! yet, withhold thy zeal from worse
Than what will better man: no words express
The hurt of evil genius, but, to raise
Advancement's stage, look higher and strive on,
Build up the way to human happiness,
That when at last thou well hast spent thy days
Thy work may last when life and thee are gone.

—Robert Hardon.

To THE FREEMANS

I do not know how much derision I shall bring upon myself by daring to offer to your honorable publication a specimen of my crude verse.

I am a sophomore at high school, and am fifteen years old. My highest ambition is to become a writer. I have written many poems and stories, and labored hard on my literary work in general, both at school and at home.

To this time, Ihave published none of my work, but at last I mustered courage enough to make the attempt, and, being a race-patriot, naturally considered a colored newspaper the best field.

If my poem is acceptable I will always honor The Freeman with my best work.

ROBERT HARDON.

No derision whatever. While the theme and treatment are wholly abstract, yet it is consistent enough. It is prettily done, and balances nicely. In time the young man of fifteen should be doing great things. Editor Freeman.

HUSHED NOW THE SHELL.

(Paul Lawrence Dunbar, June 27, 1872, to Feburary 9, 1906.)

Paul Lawrence Dunbar, laureate of a race.
Thou death hath marred, thy name cannot efface;
Thy image not the maudlin bronze commend,
Thy name secure lives in the hearts of men.
Thou hast succeeded glorious in thy task
To carve a name on mankind where 'twill last.
The subtle scope of thy broad sympathies
They near unto the immortalities;
Thy lines stand nude in unpretentious grace,
To point a moral of yours or any race.

Hushed now the dark bard's shell unstrung.
The muse that rare and limped verses sung,
And genius, like the rarest opal specked,
With Promethian irridescence flecked.
Thy temperaments mocked the fragrant May
Which soothes the unkind blasts of winter 'way.
Why sterner moods great depths of pathis pierce,
Now stirred to joy, now moved the crowd to tears;
Parnassus, torn, a day of dole bereaves
To seek a scion bard to wear the wreathes.

Farewell, and to the gods commend thy spirit.
Men knew thy love, thy own true sterling merit.
Indeed with granduer vulgar phrase was fired
When ere the people's modist poet aspired.
O, simple man, whose voiceless claim to fame
Lies on the scroll penned behind thy name,
Thou with the all assurance as we part,
Repress a tear, a shudder rends the heart.
The bard succumbs as his last pen plies
And "Sleep comes down to sooth his weary eyes."

BLAINE GRAY.

REALISM WITH A VENGEANCE AT LIVERMORE, KY.

Negro Hung in Opera House—Mob Fills Swaying Body With Shot at So Much Per—Seats on Sale —Brought Good Prices.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Not many people have known of such a town as Livermore, Ky. And had it not been for the tragedy there of a few days ago it would still slumber on in sweet obscurity. But alas! it was not thus to be. Livermore has distinguished itself in no uncertain way. It will not be said that the distinction is most honorable, but distinction nevertheless.

As for spectacular tragedy perhaps nothing in the annals of the horrible has outdone the Livermore incident. If it were aiming at "fame" at any cost, it builded better than it knew, since it sought the very fane of mimicry—the theater where is mirrored the doings of the world whether of good or evil report. Here is mockery itself mocked, and again truth outruns fiction.

The ears are unwilling to believe that men in these days of the highest civilization have so forgotten themselves as to present such a spectacle to the age as if in illustration of the doings of the day. But there's the evidence. It looks bad, but facts are presented, and the world has nothing else to do but believe.

The tragedy is most deplorable in view of the record hoped to be established to the extent that each year would witness less and less of the evil until the thing passed and in a manner becomes a dream. The white people no less than the Negro should be anxious for the cessation of such happenings. The State of Kentucky will have something to do to overcome the awful backset. The country at large, we think, will not view the happening with a complacent spirit, since it means a riotous disposition and which may not be careful where it will break out next.

The particulars of the lamentable happening are as follows:: William Potter, a Negro, who went to his death last night at Livermore, Ky., in the most melodramatic scene of vengeance ever enacted. Accused of fatally shooting Frank Mitchell, a young white man of Livermore, the assailant was strung up above the stage of the Livermore opera house and a crowd of 100 men and boys all armed, riddled his body with bullets.

So much per shot was charged, the sum to be turned over to the Mitchell family. Early today when Potter's body was cut down it was hanging in shreds.

Orchestra Seats Best.

Persons who were willing to pay for orchestra seats were charged double prices for the privilege of emptying their rifles or revolvers into the body of the swaying figure. Those in the gallery were granted a lower rate. The opera house was an inferno of gunshots and the sheriff, who tried to force his way in, was ordered away upon penalty of severe treatment.

Finally a detachment of militia arrived on the scene, and, reinforced by a posse, drove the mob from the theater. The entire community was aroused and from midnight until dawn armed farmers from the surrounding country who had heard vague rumors of trouble streamed into the town, thinking a race war was in progress. All Negroes in the town were warned to keep indoors today.

Start of Dramatic Tradegy.

The dramatic tragedy had its inception in a poolroom where Potter and Mitchell had quarreled. Potter drew a revolver and shot the white man. Town Marshal Stablet placed Potter under arrest and took him to the lockup. Within an hour a mob had formed and was menacing the jail. Half a dozen deputies were sworn in to protect the Negro and the marshal removed his prisoner to the town opera house, getting the Negro through aback door and evading the mob by a ruse.

When the mob learned it had been tricked, the infuriated members stormed the opera house, overpowered the guards and strung Potter to a rafter. The footlights were turned on and the scenery shifted to give the scene a background. Then the shooting began.

Marshal Stablet telephoned to Sheriff Beeler in Calhoun to go at once and call out a company of militia.

NOTES FROM ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The chief event of the past week was the fifteenth anniversary of Rev. J. R. Nelson, of the Mt. Zion Baptist church. The members and friends joined heartily in the celebration, and it will go down in the history of the church as one of the events that will long be remembered. The pastor in whose honor the celebration was given, was the happy recipient of many presents. The record that he has made here deserves special mention. Taking charge of the church when the membership was small and many of them scattered, he has built it up to something like two thousand......During the past week the monthly report of the public schools were given to the public. It stands out as one of the best yet. Asheville, as few people outside of the State may know, has a compulsory school law, which is enforced. It is the only city in the State which has such a law. Before the law went into effect the colored people had only two school buildings, now they have four. The city is fortunate in having an exceptionally high type of men composing the school board, and one of the best superintendents in the South.... The Masons of the city have just moved into their new building. This structure is a four-story brick which is large enough to accommodate the entire membership. Mr. J. V. Miller is the capable worthy master. ....At this writing the hotels are full of guests, and as all of them employ colored help, our people are busy....Monday night, April 24, the Y. M. C. A. put on a public exhibition a program gotten up by the boys of the physical department....You will find The Freeman at 1 Eagle street, Howell's barber shop.

NAVASOTA, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Prairie View Young Ladies' Band rendered a musical program in behalf of the Navasota Colored High School April 7. At the conclusion of the program, Prof. E. L. Blackshear, of Prairie View Institute, delivered an address to the citizens and patrons of the school. This brilliant affair was given at McNair hall, under supervision of Prof. A. E. McMillan and the Navasotacity school faculty..... Mr. Ned Pierce, a young man of excellent standing in our community, died April 10, leaving many comrades and friends to mourn his loss.....Rev. Williams, of the True Vine Baptist church, preached two eloquent sermons last Sunday.

PATRIOTISM.

Some one writing in a Chicago publication thinks that the Negroes have a good chance to join in with the Japanese and bring on a bloody war in this country. It's a very poor thought looking at it from every direction. Perhaps we are not doing the proper thing in giving it further publicity, yet it is sometimes best to expose the stupidity, thus throttling it in order that it does no further harm. Too many are given to just such utterances thus in a manner compelling publicity which would be best otherwise.

The article is signed up all right, the manager of the publication seemingly holding it as sufficient protection against the possible charge of political heresy against his paper. We cannot see it quite that way, although we agree that the manager has not sufficient eyes to see every article of a hurtful nature that may be presented in his paper. However, it will not be admitted that a thoughtful manager would permit such an article as the one referred to work by him unknowingly. It will be thought that he concurs with the sentiment expressed, or that he is indifferent to it. In either event crime has not been committed, but it will be strange reasoning that reaches the conclusion that the Negro has been helped by the article.

Much of our trouble originates from indiscreet utterances, and by men who are in commanding places very often. Perhaps there is no more vicious thought than that of warring on one's country. When men plot treason they do so in the dark, and because they know the high offense. Only very few men will look with pleasure on those who talk rapine and murder. Those that are finally won aside to plot destruction "honor" their very heighth of crime by a murderously sworn silence—they know the penalty of society. We hope that many of us have not fallen on such evil times as to be seriously considering what the writer advocates—a coalition with the Japanese for the undoing of our own country.

And while there is not the remotest possibility of the thing suggested coming to pass, yet the intent or desire when known is reprehensible, and when not known is only less so owing to the fact that it is incapable of further harm.

To us it appears the extremest folly to kick up a rumpus purposely. What would be gained in event the dream came about to a letter? There are no countries that solicit the Negroes in numbers. England has the reputation of being the best disposed toward her Negro subjects, yet the same struggle is on in South Africa, where the situation most nearly approaches that of America. In this age it is not necessary to go off half-cocked about such matters when it is possible to be informed. In a matter of such importance it is scarcely less than criminal to advance anything that does not bear marks of the most studious attention. What is said along this line bears on the eternity of the colored races as it concerns their future abiding place and their civilization. Hence it should not be flippantly said; it should not be said without profound thonght; it should not be said without profound ability for the thinking.

Perhaps it is needless to enter a discussion of the proposition from the Japanese side. It is to be doubted if those people appreciate the association of the names of the races in such a way. The object of this country, according to wise and conservative men is to maintain peace with Japan and all other countries. Nor is it thought that careful and fair-minded Negroes appreciate the suggestion of the union of the races as against white Americans.

We insist that in spite of the many drawbacks of our own country, and which are great enough by contrast, that we have the very best known condition in the world of Negro races. Here is no unstudied statement of a fact. The proof is not difficult. We are in easy touch with the best Negro countries, yet the wealth of them all would not equal the wealth of that of those of a half dozen states in America; this in face of upwards of a hundred years of freedom as against the half century of freedom in the United States. Furthermore the Negroes can establish communities if they choose to do so and thus avoid what is held the "debasing" contact. They may stay or go; surely such liberality of choice wil not be bettered. In view of the fact we run the risk of becoming malcontents, an unenviable body among any people. This does not have in mind the righteous striving for the greater existence; it means the undue agitation; and excessive agitation when the end and aim does not promise to come from the processes.

The narrow race question of course is involved in what has been said. We are not unmindful of it. But it wlil not be remedied excepting by peaceful means, since to war would mean utter exclusion and no species of bravado could save. It all sounds very nice about resistance, retaliation and the rest of it, but soberminded people reckon the cost. Our cause will be hurt very much if we permit hot heads to break into the press, where they talk of war as glibly as though it was very small business. Sherman had ideas concerning war and he expressed it in no uncertain way. If we will maintain the regard of those with whom we are associated in some way we will be patriots first and then battle for the rights—right in the patriot's sacred precincts.

STATE CONVENTION.

April 26-27 at Dayton, Ohio—Laymen's Missionary Convention for Colored Men.

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Sum of $4,000 is Taken From Negro Arrested in Georgia.

BRUNSWICK, Ga., April 17.—The sum of $4,000, thought to be part of the $10,000 stolen from a registered mail pouch between Tampa and Clearwater, Fla., on March 23, was taken from John Anderson, a Negro arrested on the above date.

The sum of $4,180 was recovered two weeks ago in the yard of H. H. Horace of Brookville, Fla. Horace says he and Anderson found the $10,000 in a stump into which a dog had chased a rabbit. The stump was near the home of J. J. Abbott, a railroad mail clerk who was arrested and is now under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

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So the Hon. Thomas W. Hardwick, congressman, would decitizenize us.

The dynamite finds in this community this week has made all other news look like thirty cents.

The Lorimer senatorial muddle will succeed in boosting the proposition of selecting senators by popular vote.

In the elections held this week the "drys" had some the better of the "wets." The war wages merrily on.

Let the congressman of Georgia make effort to disfranchise the white people; it is quite as logical. A citizen is a citizen.

Stirring times this week in Indianapolis. Several depots of dynamite found. Detectives think the explosives were to be used for unlawful purposes.

If the war of words between the packers and butchers as to who keeps the price of meat succeeds in getting it down it is all right. If not, the discussion isn't very interesting.

The Negroes have been read in the constitution of the country at a later day true enough but as surely as white men. The Negroes have a right to ask that Thomas W. Hardwick be put out of the benefits of the constitution for treasonable intent.

On May 17 the Negro Democrats will meet in Indianapolis for a convention for the purpose of considering the ways and means for the success of the party with yhich they are identified. The move appears early; but perhaps they go on the theory of the early bird catching the worm.

Thomas W. Hardwick, of Georgia, is working over time in his efforts to put the Negroes to the bad politically. He has introduced a bill in congress looking forward to the repealing of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution. He ought to remember the fate of Senator Tillman, the arch-enemy of the Negro.

In the annals of horrible happenings that of Livermore, Ky., last week where a Negro was hung in the opera house and riddled with bullets at so much per shot, heads the list. It appears that that which had been gained through the lull in the thing of mob rule has been lost in ferocity or ingenuity, as if it were studied to spread just so much terror, somehow.

Some real spring weather this week and everybody seems the happier for it. The vicinity of streams and rivers has begun to take on new life. The fiish, sage like, have taken to mid stream. The circus is announced in flambeau letters and vision of the good things already flit. Other evidences are no less in note of the fact that spring is here.

Perhaps Judge Collins got excited when he thought he was eligible for acting in the requisition transaction. However, he does seem to have one point in his favor, the law on the point saying, after specifying the judges competent to act, the most convenient court, or words to the effect. It is the only hope Judge Collins has of escaping successful prosecution for kidnapping.

If Brother Trotter, of the Boston Guardian, don't watch out he will be repudiating what little good he had to say about the assault on Booker T. Washington. In a recent editorial he advised Mr. Washington to clear up things. Why not let the business be done in court? The inference following such an admonition is that things aren't cleared up. A thing that every-knows, but not in the Guardian sense which apparently seeks to attaint.

Jack Johnson will doubtless appreciate his freedom now. He has had two pictures forced on him for contemplation in very short intervals. They were: Jack Johnson, oppulent with the world of a kind at his feet, and Jack Johnson in utter poverty, feeding on the very husks of this life. Which life will he select? There is every reason to think that he prefers to be Jack Johnson, gent., as things go in this world. Well he can be Jack Johnson, gent., if he will, since it is clearly up to him. But it does not mean creating a blue smoke when he passes or any other high conduct that is not expected in general society.

AT LIVERMORE, KY.

Well, such actions as noted at Livermore, Ky., are a good thing to stop, for if there is justice in the world, such actions will recoil on the heads of those that do them. Not on those in particular perhaps, but on those who are in a manner associated, that is, permitted such things to be. Then if not on these, then on those who are to follow—the generations. This does not have in mind a personal punishment since we do not profess to be a prophet. We mean that in civic conditions in the years to come justice will arrange itself on the side of these so flagrantly mistreated as it has done to such a great extent.

The tremendous sacrifices of the late civil war were the unthinkable price paid for the ruthless uprooting of African denizens in their forest lair and the forcible abduction to these shores. The price is yet being paid by the hate-entailed separation, segregation, ostracism, all of which means social anarchism in the minds in rebellion at the order of things—against what justice has brought the race.

The toiling years of slavery have been most beautifully compensated. Many of us choose to see it different, feeling a sense of degradation at it all, and right enough from one viewpoint. Mankind, civilized or savage, has never felt comfortable in taking orders, not to mention the thing of servitude where the voice of one is law unto another. That same justice which seems to have slept upwards of three hundred years, proved to have been vigilant enough, bringing, when it did come, punishment in one hand and reward in the other. So after all, we are not as bad off as we think. We have come up immeasuably and are still coming. The white people, those who oppress, feel, without doubt, a losing cause, if Negro spiritual and physical subjection is meant.

The mob is but a reflex of the feeling of those who wish to bring about a physical and spiritual subjection, but in all likelihood its intents will be confounded, really making for the very thing opposed. The vices of an individuality are shown forth when at ease, has all comforts—servants at his beck and call. But the virtues are shown forth when bruised, wounded, crushed, just as the juice is what was meant of the grape when at its best. One can see that when the situation is viewed in a big way there is considerable saving philosophy to be found. The mob acts on the whole Negro nation as the hand of the grape, and the wine of life runs red. Mental resolves follow as they should—to be, to do, so help me God.

We hope it will not be considered fallacious to view the mob in the light of good. It is not a thing of immediate good, just as slavery was not a thing of immediate good. In a spiritual way it meant so much sin in the world, even if physical good could be figured out through care, attention, proper food and clothing which did not go to the Negro in his African home.

A BILL TO REPEAL THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

According to promise a Southern member of congress has shown up on scheduled time and presented that body a bill proposing to submit to the several state legislatures for ratification a proposition looking forward to the repeal of the Fourteenth Amendmcnt to the Constitution of the United States.

Thomas W. Hardwick, who has the hardihood to take the initiative in the move, hails from the state of Georgia. Notice had been served on the race from time to time that it might look for such a happening. The gentleman, we believe, made his campaign on this issue and was elected, but at that it was thought that the matter would turn out to be merely a bold bluff, and no seriously considered plan at striking down the Negro's political being. We are yet unwilling to believe that more than a very few of those in a position to do harm will consent to the Hardwick program. The move is quixotic, and will react on the prompter as such, setting him down for all time as one narrow-headed individual who permitted prejudices to rule where justice should sit enthroned—at least sweet reasonableness.

Quixotic as Hardwick may apepar, it none the less makes for an ugly political situation where the old hatreds will be again threshed out; perhaps originating new ones. In our opinion the attack of Mr. Hardwick will be considered fanciful, at the most his ambition will not be realized. He doubtless counts on the support of the Northern white Democrats. But they are of flesh and blood. They are long-sighted enough to see the unwisdom of attacking the government in its strongest principle.

We take it that the doctrine of Jefferson, that first great Democrat, has come into its own. The years of prejudice have denied the total sway, the full force and significance of these words: "That all men are created equal; that they are endowed by the Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among them are life, liberty and the pursuit of hapiness." Mankind being created equal does not mean that a portion of it is to be unduly ordered about by another. What has been, has been has been, and since which time the spirit and letter of the proposition have been coming up.

We do not see it that Democrats have more reason than other individuals of other parties to plunge the Negro race into a state of anarchy. We hear of no such program by the socialists, by the prohibitionists, by the Republicans, nor by the Northern wing of the Democratic party. What must Mr. Hardwick expect if his program carries? Are Negroes less than men? If so, then they should be everlastingly so.

But there are no prospects of the Harwick program carrying. We have that same, conservative senate body, the bulwark of the nation against "jejune excessives" of the lower house even were the house so inclined to fall in with Hardwick. But we don't expect to witness any such performance. As stated we rely on the gospel of conservation and the democracy of the nation which has nothing to do with the color of men. Then too, we have that ultra judicial minded executive, backed up by the enlightened sentiment of the nation who will, we think, see to it that no program of political infamy obtains.

We are excellently well hedged in. The citadel of our liberties are seemingly another Gibraltar, impregnable to miscellaneous assault of an enfeebled enemy. The supreme court, the final redoubt, will not, can not yield without self repudiation. In our opinion they will maintain the law as writ by those choice men immediately subsequent to our civil war, if it should come to a test before them. But there is no reason to think that those distinguished men will be disturbed. The thing will be nipped in the bud as it should be in the earlier stages of its progress. We expect to see the whole business die of cold neglect in a pigeon hole of the committee to which it will be assigned.

XENIA, OHIO.

There was a dance at Schmidt's hall last Monday night....Mr. and Mrs. Perry Blakeman entertained Mr. Clarence Steward, of Indianapolis, yesterday. Mr. Steward is one of the Hoosier state's hustlers and is connected with the Indianapolis Record....St. John's A. M. E. church has been condemned by the state inspector. Services will be held in the assembly room at the court house hereafter....Mrs. O. W. Ferguson and baby daughter, of Tuskegee Institute, Ala., are visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Ferguson.... Mrs. Fannie Collins, of Indianapolis, was the guest of Mrs. George Proctor and Mrs. Moses Swisher last week....Mr. Ross Roan, of Columbus, O., was a visitor here Sunday....J. T. Breckenridge has been confined to the house for several days suffering from bad teeth....John Leach is in the city, having been called here by the death of his sister ....Mrs. Jacob Humphrey continues very ill ....Mrs. Bertha Thomas, of Cincinnati, is confined to her bed at the home of her mother, Mrs. Matthew Payne, in this city.. ....Mrs. Julia A. Coleman, wife of Rev. John Coleman, departed this life last Monday morning, April 17, after fourteen months of illness. She leaves a mother, seven sisters, one brother, a husband and son and three daughters to mourn her loss. The funeral was held at Shorter hall, Wilberforce University, Thursday, April 20, and the interment was at Tarbox....Mrs. Harry Harrison, formerly Maud Thompson, of Dayton, is visiting Mr. Albert Simpson, of this city....The cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watkins was the scene last Monday evening of a most brilliant affair, the occasion being the birthday of their daughter, Naomi. The following program was rendered: Solo, Miss Gladys Scott; Reading, "A Spring Wooing," Mr. Oscar Price; Solo, with violin obligato, Prof. H. D. Williams, Walter Powers and William Reckman; Solo, Miss Gertrude Oglesby; Reading, Miss Belle Wyatt; Recitation, Miss Margaret Moss; Solo, Miss Martha Hankins. Prof H. D. Williams acted as toastmaster, each one responding. A dainty luncheon was served with appropriate Easter souvenirs. Miss Watkins received many beautiful presents. At a late hour the guests reluctantly returned to their homes, each one having spent an evening of rare enjoyment and one long to be remembered....The following deaths have occurred during the week: Mrs. Mattie J. Leach, a well-known school teacher; Mr. Cal. Pierson, a well-known business man. His death was a mystery; Mrs. Julia A. Coleman, of Wilberforce.....The entertainment given at Middle Run church last Thursday evening was attended by a large and appreciative audience....A large number of the high school boys and girls attended the debate at Wilberforce Friday night.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Mr. George Guy passed through our city last week, en route from Peoria, Ill., to Zanesville, O....Miss Gertrude Rousse entertained Miss Sarah Bibbs and Miss Rosebbud Arnte, of Toledo, O., April 18, with a card party at the residence of Mrs. M. Turner, on Walnut street....Mr. William Peterson, of Barnesville, O., has returned home after a ten-day visit to his son, Mr. Jesse Peterson, who is ill with pneumonia, who is somewhat improved....Mr. Chas. McGruder filed application for divorce in Knox County Common Pleas Court from his wife, Clara McGruder, and custody of his children....Miss Florence Stewart, of Cleveland, passed through our city en route to Newark....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, of Sistersville, W. Va., are visiting in our city....Mrs. Amanda Baylor, wife of Lon Baylor, a blind minister, was taken to the county infirmary April 17....The Golden Ling Sewing Club of the Calvary Baptist Church are reporting that they are doing nicely with their Saturday supper. Come and have supper with them this evening. It is your last chance....A birthday surprise postcard shower was given Mr. Chas. Banks, of West Walnut street, April 17, it being his thirty-ninth birthday. About thirty-five persons were present. Luncheon was served, and there was a nice time, as usual....Mr. Heze Curry has returned to our city from Xenia, O., and accepted a position as chef at Wisner's....Wayman Chapel A. M. E. Church, Rev. J. M. Tate, pastor. Quarterly meeting Sunday; love feast, 10:30; communion at 3 p. m. Rev. John M. Massey, of Wilberforce, preached at 3 and 7:30 p. m. Theme, 1 Cor. 6-20. Rev. Massey occupied the pulpit instead of Rev. Joshua Jones, the presiding elder, who is ill....Calvary Baptist Church, regular services both morning and evening at 10:30 and 7:30. Sunday school at 2 p. m., J. Gibson, superintendent....The Twentieth Century Club met April 27 at the residence of Miss Beulah Jones, Calhoun street, for their monthly coffee pour, and an excellent program was rendered, after which a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Mrs. Lee, of West Federal street, and Norman Bradshaw are very sick....Mrs. Mayfield, of Chicago avenue, is able to be out after a few weeks' sickness....Lillian, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Barrett, of Todd avenue, died Sunday morning, after a two weeks' illness. She was four years old. She was buried in Belmont cemetery Tuesday at 2 p. m.....The Eureka club gave a very successful dancing party in Diebel hall Tuesday evening. Dungee's orchestra furnished the music....Mrs. Nellie M. Tillery and son, George, left Tuesday for Altonia, to reside......A large number of Youngstown people will attend the K. of P. banquet in Warren Wednesday evening, May 3....Mr. and Mrs. Attorney H. Simpson are rejoicing. It's a girl....Mrs. E. M. Proctor, of Ravenna, O., was the guest of her brothers, Dr. and Attorney Simpson....James Fields entertained the West Side Whist Club Monday evening....A number of Elks of New Castle, were in the city Sunday....Mrs. James Kelly was the guest of relatives in Cleveland last week.

William McKinley Lodge, No. 57, K. of P., of Warren, O., have completed arrangements for the grand ball to be held in Opera Hall on the evening of May 3. A large attendance is expected from near-by towns....Miss Jessie L. Crawford, of Toledo, is the guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Black.

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The funeral services of Mr. A. Nash were held in the Emanuel A. M. E. church last Sunday at 2 p. m.....All the pulpits of the colored churches were filled by strangers from the A. M. E. conference last Sunday ....Prof. B. F. McWilliams made his farewell address to the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday at the Tidewater hall....Prof. H. Simmons, organist and leader of the Emanuel A. M. E. choir, and Mrs. Alma Cannors, organist and leader of the Zion Baptist choir, deserve much credit for the high class music which is being sung by these choirs....The boys of the Junior department of the Y. M. C. A. presented a minstrel April 29th, at the Tidewater hall.......Subscribe to this paper, so that you may acquaint yourself with all race news....Watch for the date of the production of the cantata, "King Saul"....Mr. Jno. Richmond, of Deep Creek, Va., was the guest of his brother, Wm. Richmond, 2505 Effingham street, last Sunday....The Reds and Blues of Zion Baptist church are in a hot contest for the June rally. They are going some.... he spacious dining hall of the old folks' home and orphanage was the scene of a great ecclesiastical gathering, the occasion being the reception tendered by the Emanuel A. M. E. church, Rev. M. E. Davis, jastor, to the Rt. Rev. L. J. Coppin, D. D., bishop of the Second Episcopal district of the A. M. E. church and delegates in attendance upon the annual conference which was holding its session at the above named church. The following program was rendered. Song, invocations, song; welcome address on behalf of the church and all its departments, Mr. W. H. Wilkins; welcome on the part of the Women's Society, Women's Club, or Aid Societies, Mrs. C. L. K. Douglass; welcome on part of the professional and business men, Lawyer Wm. M. Reed; welcome on the part of the ministers, Rev. J. M. Armstead, D. D., Zion Baptist church; music, responses, and remarks by Bishop Coppin. After the rendition of the program a supper was served, consisting of the following menu: Princess Anne turkey, cranberry sauce; olives, lettuce and tomato salad; Smithfield ham, ice cream, cake and chocolate.

PRINCETON, IND.

Last Sunday a secret which had been kept for five weeks was disclosed to several friends here at Patoka, and at Lyles. It was the announcement of the marriage of Miss Lola Kelly, of Patoka and Mr William H. Clift, of near Lyles. Early in March the two betook themselves to Mt. Carmel, Ill., and theer had pronounced the happy ceermony that made them one. Their first acquaintance was last September. Then the bride came to Patoka to take charge of the schools and soon after that time it seemed that the two hearts were destined to beat as one. The bride is an intelligent and accomplished lady. She is a last year's graduate of the State Normal at Terre Haute, where she was a favorite with classmates and friends. The groom is an industrious young man and is the son of Mr. Joseph Slift, a leading farmer near Lyles, and one of the substantial citizens of Gibson county. They will reside on a farm on which Mr. Clift has built and furnished a cozy house. We extend congratulations....The ladies of the Eastern Star will have a social in Clarence Butler's new brick building in North West street this evening....Practically every member of Bethel A. M. E. church is interested in the trustee rally which will be May 14. Mrs. J. A. Barbee, Mrs. James Kaufman and Mrs. George Scott and their clubs are doing excellent work....Mrs. Sarah Jackson and Mrs. G. H. Brown, with 15 other married ladies and gentlemen, will present an "Old Folks Concert" on the evening of May 5, which will be one of the best ever given here....The musical and literary program by the pupils of the Patoka schools was a treat to a large number last Monday evening.... Miss Tucker, of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of Miss Julia Tucker, her cousin, in North Prince street....Miss Smith, of Terre Haute schools, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Clift near Lyles, Sunday....A dialogue by Misses Nellie Land, a reading by Miss Mollie Thompkins and a solo by Roy Lewis of the Freshmen class were highly entertaining and instructive at the Lincoln school last Wednesday morning.

SOUTH BEND (IND.) NEWS.

South Bend has had a very busy week in colored circles this week past. The clubs were entertaining and the lodges were busy initiating members. Mrs. J. H. Hutchinson, of Fassnacht avenue, entertained at a six course dinner Sunday, in honor of Mrs. Minnie C. Scott, of Indianapolis, State president of the Colored Federation of Women's Clubs....Mrs. F. Michem, of South Taylor street, is quite ill. ....D. D. Palmer, who is very ill at Epworth Hospital, is slowly improving.... Mrs. M. C. Scott and Mrs. J. W. Wade were in Niles, Mich., Saturday, to reorganize the women's club there. There will be a new club organized on the East Side in the near future——The ladies' department of the Afro-American Order of Owls is being launched. Any one wishing information write C. H. Bell, secretary, 190½ Colfax avenue....Mr. G. W. Bland, head waiter at the Oliver, entertained Mrs. G. W. Bland and Mrs. Emma J. Hines at an elaborate Easter dinner at the Oliver Hotel Easter Sunday. Mr. E. S. Burgess is ill at her home, 112½ West Colfax avenue....Mr. Tom Walker has opened a second-hand store on East LaSalle avenue....Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Marion, Ind., who purchased the Dulin restaurant a shirt time ago, are doing nicely. Don't forget to give them a call and help the widow's son out....Northern Star Court gave a supper at Castle Hall April 18. It was quite a success, and also was the ball on the same date. Quite a number of out-of-town guests were present, among whom were Miss Ada Ricketts, of Chicago, Ill.; the Haggard brothers, of fBenton Harbor, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Cooksey, of Elkhart, Ind.; Mr. D. Arlis, of Elkhart, Ind.....The Freeman can be secured from William Manning, Oliver Hotel.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

John Purdie spent Easter Sunday in Moultrie....A movement is now on foot to organize a glee club in this city. An organization of that kind would do much good in this city. The talent is here, and all we have got to do is to push it and victory will be ours....Drew Corbin is in the city for a few days. He is from Dumdin, Fla., en route to Savannah....Miss Jessie Odoll, of Quitman, spent last week in this city....Prof. O. W. Walton is back in the city from Florida. He carries a very fine moving picture show with him. Most of his scenes are religious, and he gets the crowd happy wherever he goes. Prof. Walton has one of the best moving picture shows in the country....The new Star Theater will open its doors to the public Monday night. It is just commpleted and is a very creditable place. Henry McFarland is manager and says he will push it to the top....The Freeman is on sale every Saturday by Willie F. Williams, 601 Magnolia, corner York, "The Daylight Corner."

LEXINGTON, KY., NEWS NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Green have returned to Chicago after a visit to friends here.... Mr. Jackson Grill has finished his second year in medicine at Meharry and is behind the prescription counter at Ballard's pharmacy again, to the delight of his many friends....The Knights of Pythias lodges and Courts of Calanthe held their annual thanksgiving services at Pleasant Green Baptist church last Sunday. The sermon was delivered by Rev. H. W. Jones, the new pastor. The Rev. preached a splendid sermon, logical and abounding in many rich thoughts......Mr. Richard Turner, of St. Louis, spent a few days here this week.... Miss Carrie B. Laine, of Winchester, is the pleasant guest of Mrs. Anna Jones, in Chestnut street....The team of Williams & Cosby are playing the Gem theater this week. Their act is an unusually clean one. They are playing to large audiences at every performance....Mr. W. P. Landon, head-waiter of the New Phoenix, was in Frankfort last Tuesday, the guest of Mr. S. I. Harvey and B. D. Madison....Mrs. J. W. Taylor, of Cincinnati, is here visiting friends....Mr. Harry Collins, a student in medicine at Meharry College at Nashville, is spending a few weeks here. He leaves the first of June for his annual trip East for the summer.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Sunday, April 30, is set for a grand rally at Zion Baptist church, West Ninth street, at which time we hope to raise one thousand dollars on our mortgage debt....Mrs. Rachel King, widow of the late Samuel King, departed this life suddenly on April 18. She leaves a daughter, two sons and many friends to mourn their loss......We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our relatives, friends and neighbors for the sympathy and help in our sad bereavement at the death of our mother, Mrs. Rachel King, also we do wish to thank the pastor and members of Zion Baptist church and missionary union and Mr. James Thompson for the efficient manner in which he conducted the funeral—Emma Young, G. M. Johnson and Albert Johnson.

PIQUA, OHIO.

Mrs. J. H. Anderson entertained the Thimble social of the Cyrene A. M. E. church. Quite a large number of ladies enjoyed her hospitality..The Autumn Leaf club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Willis Freeman. Dainty refreshments were served.... Quite a number from Piqua attended a concert in Troy, O., given by Troy and Springfield talent....The Young Men's Social club will give a grand ball Thursday evening. Quite a number from out of town will attend....Mrs. Bessie Taylor Guy has returned from Pittsburg, after a delightful visit with friends....Miss Maude Booth was here visiting her sister, Mrs. Sadie Collins ....Jesse Holloway, the well-known society man, was united in marriage to a young lady of Sidney, O....Mrs. Martha Green is seriously ill at her home. Her many friends wil regret to learn of her serious illness.... Mrs. Augustus Collins is on the sick list.

THE MEMPHIS TIGERS

Playing Winning Ball—Having Extraordinary Patronage—Takes Double Header From Nashville.

MBEMPHIS, TENN.—The Memphis Tigers have since the opening game with St. Louis Giants, had extraordinary patronage, and are playing championship baseball. We took a double header from Nashville Sunday (Easter) April 16th; first game 8-2; second game, 5-1. Following Nashville home we won 3 straights; first, 12-½; second 7-6; third 15-4. We were to play the Cuban Stars Sunday, April 23, but rain interferred, but Monday's game was a corker. The game lasted 12 innings, but the beginning of the 12th the hoodoo appeared and errors by the score made by the Tigers were very costly, which resulted in a score of 4-3 in favor of Subans. We are to play the same club Tuesday, 28th, and then play Hot Springs at Memphis, 29th, 30th and 1st. We then go to Hot Springs for 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 6th. Our schedule is complete until Aug. 30th, and expect to win the majority of games with the addition of "Skipper" Harris, the pitching cyclone of Kansas City.

LINCOLN GIANTS WIN TWICE.

McMahon's Men Beat Paterson and Central Islip at Olympic Field.

NEW YORK.—Playing at Olympic Field yesterday, Rod McMahon's Lincoln Giants won two games, beating the aPtersons in the first tussle, 5 to 4, and shutting out Central Islip in the second, 7 to 0. The Patersons gave the Lincolns a hard fight which was not decided until the ninth inning. The sensational play of Lloyd in both conflicts was the feature of the afternoon. The scores:

Lincoln Giants ....1 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 1—5
Paterson ....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 3 0—4

Two-base hits—Dedor, Poles, Smith. Home runs—Poles, McDonald. Sacrifice hits—Gillen, Francis, Uzman. Stolen bases—Lloyd, Booker, Onderdonk, Dedor, Francis, Poles. Left on bases—Paterson 7; Lincoln Giants 8. Double plays—Booker (unassisted); Buckner, Lloyd and Booker; McDonald, Gillen and Dedor. Struck out—By Schwab, 2; by Buckner, 4. Bases on balls—Off Schwab, 3; off Buckner, 2. Hit by pitchers—By Buckner, 2 (Schwab, Gillen); by Schwab, 2 (Buckner, Booker). Passed ball—Uzman. Umpire—Mr. Stanhope. Time of game—1 hour and 44 minutes.

SECON DGAME.

		R	H	E
Central Islip	.0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	7	2
Lin. Giants	.0 1 0 3 0 2 1 0 x	7	9	0

Batteries—Williams and Reed; McClelland and Booker.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.

W. H. Ford, manager of the Maroon baseball club was taken very suddenly ill last week and was compelled to stay in bed during the week. His sickness delayed his baseball work a little. Is at it again and will soon have his schedule complete.

PLAY THEIR OPENING GAME. TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

The Tuscaloosa Giants played their opening game of the season with the Southern Goants of Meridian, Miss., last week, at Van Hoose's Union baseball park. After a hard-fought battle, the game ended with a score of seven and six in favor of the Giants.

FOUR GAMES PLAYED AT ATLANTA, GA.

Games—April 16, Mobile 5, Atlanta 4; April 17, Atlanta 15, Mobile 6; April 22, Mobile 3, Atlanta 2; April 23, Atlanta 3, Mobile 2.

Played Pensacola April 25 to 28. Bad luck. Management of park asks 50 cents on the dollar. This is the Dixie park system. The particular place is Mobile, Ala., where the deal was tough.

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.

Notes From Dixieland Minstrels, With Johnny L. Jones Carnival Co.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dumas, late of Krause Amusement Co., joined us in Rocky Mount. James Curry, our trombonist, is still slipping the slide with our plantation band. Members of Dixieland Minstrels are wearing black this week for Mr. Rastus Neely, in honor of his wife, Louise, who left the show Sat., Apr. 22, and has gone back to her home at New Bern, N. C. So sad. So sad. Mr. Leroy Knox sends regards to Walter Childs and other members of the Florida Blossoms. Mr. Tommy Stevens, our clarinettist, will not be seen with the big white tops this season. We were sorry to hear of the sad accident that happened with Eph Williams Troubadours. Manager Joseph Oppice would like to hear from musicians at all times.

FALLS CITY GIANTS AND ROYAL GIANTS OF NEW YORK.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Special—Two big games of baseball will be played Sunday and Monday at the Eclipse Park at Seventh and Kentucky, when the Falls City Giants of this city and the Royal Giants, of New York, will cross bats. Both teams have reputations as real ball tossers and the fans are looking forward to interesting games. Mr. S. R. Gibbs is manager of the Falls City Giants, Pete Walker, secretary and William Walker treasurer.

LELAND GIANTS VICTORS.

Undefeated Champions Score Clean-Cut Victory in Their Opening Series With the Crack Mutuals.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Fandom was out in great numbers Sunday despite the cool weather to witness the opening of the season at the Giants Park, 69th and Green streets, Chicago, and when Secy-Treas. Beauregard F. Moseley presented Ald. A. E. Tearney, president of the Three-I league, the audience gave vent to mid-summer form in applause. Among the notables present was Hon. Ed D. Green, state representative, Maj. J. C. Buckner, Handscar De Priest, L. Allen and others. The game was full of snap from the start and resulted as follows. Next Sunday the Artesians.

Lelands ....0 1 0 1 0 4 0 0 *—6
Mutuals ....1 0 0 0 0 2 0 1 1—5

Two base hits—Powers, Davis. Home runs—Matthews, Moore. Struck out—by Dolan, 4; by James, 4; by Redman, 4; by Davis, 3. Bases on balls—Off Dolan, 6; off Jones, 1; off Redman, 1; off Davis, 1. Time—1:30. Umpire—Juergenson.

BASEBALL AT LOUISVILLE.

Falls City Giants Defeat Faqua Giants—Indianapolis Reserves Beaten by Louisville Cubs.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Falls City Giants defeated the Fague Gians, one of the best picked nines of the Falls City, composed of young material from New Albany, Jeffersonville and Louisville, by a score of 11-8. And one of the best games played so far this season. Summary:

		R	H	E
Falls City	..1 2 0 0 6 0 0 2 0	11	13	2
Faqua	......0 0 0 0 0 4 1 3 0	8	5	4

Batteries—Falls City Gians, Ruynon and Price; Faqua Giants, Claypool and Hicks. Umpire Houston. Attendance 250.

Saturday, Sunday and Monday the Falls City Giants vs. Royal Giants, on the American Association grounds, 7th and Kentucky.

The Louisville Cubs defeated the strong Indianapolis Reserves in a game the feature of fwhich was the pitching of Byers and Martin stealing home. The Cubs play the Cleveland Tigers Sunday and Monday, April 30 and May 1. The score:

Cubs ....0 1 1 2 0 3 0 2 0—9
Reserves ....0 0 1 0 4 0 0 1—6

Umpire—Miller.

KANSAS CITY, KANS. CYCLONES WIN.

The Kansas City Cyclones defeated the Hocker, Kan., team in the opening game of the season at Association Park by the score of 14 to 4, Easter Sunday, April 16. The Cyclones defeated the Chicago Outlaw team Sunday, April 23, at Association Park, in a well played game, by the score of 4 to 3. The Outlaws is composed of Western leaguers and have a clever bunch. The Cyclones will meet the K. C. Royal Giants on the 30th of April and the 4th of May. Bryson of the Cyclones is showing great form at short. Fleet-footed Wilkins, one of the greatest colored sun-fielders today playing baseball, is playing a great game in left field for the Cyclones. Albert Price, Mgr. Cyclone baseball club, 1732 Brooklyn ave.

FRENCH LICK, IND.

Takes Two Games.

April 20, West Baden Sprudels 1, French Lick Plutos 4; April 21, Sprudels 3, Plutos 0. The game of April 21 was a pitchers' battle between Griffin, of the Plutos, and Goodloe, of the Sprudels. Only three hits were made off Griffin, no hits and no runs off Goodloe. The Sprudels made two runs on two errors. The feature of this game was the pitching of Griffin and Goodloe and the fielding of Toney, one of the fastest fielders in baseball today, white or black, better known as Black Johnnie Evers. He is not captain of the Plutos any more. Jones and Griffin both have been captains in the last week.

PHILADELPHIAS AND PENSACOLAS

In a Series of Four Games Each Club Takes Two at Pensacola, Fla.

(By Walker W. Thomas.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Last week we had the world famous Philadelphia Giants here, who played April 18, 20, 21 and 22, at Lincoln Park. The locals succeeded in taking three straight on April 21 and the double header April 22. The Phillies were sure classy ball players, but were not in it with the local boys, who did some first-class work. They are now in fine condition, and have two new players, Foster and Griffin, of Birmingham, Ala. Foster is holding down first, with Griffin in center. They both play to suit the fans and everybody else. Ward is on second, with Hannon playing anywhere, and he is good everywhere. Boots is on third, with Pugh at shortstop, both having come back. Patton and Scotland, in right and left field, are doing some handsome work on flies. Pierce is with them all in the box.

The first game went twelve innings. In the last half of the eleventh inning the score stood 4 to 4. Then the visitors came in and made five scores on errors, which broke it up. Batteries—Phillies, Wade and Loftin; Pens, Pierce and Davis.

There was no game on the second day, on account of wet grounds.

The third day there was a ten-inning game, the score being 6 to 7. Several home runs were made by the visitors and locals. Batteries—Phillies, Fisher and Loftin; Pens, Scotland and Davis and Hanon. Ward made a homer in the last half of the ninth with two out, and tied the score. When the visitors came in the first half of the tenth they won the game by making one score.

Saturday double-header, the local boys taking both with ease. Thomas, of the Phillies, hit a homer with two on bases. Loftin hit two homers, also with two on bags. James also hit for two bases with two on bags. Boots got a two-base hit, with two holding bags. Fisher hit for two bases, Ward a clean one over center field fence for a homer, with two holding bags; Patton, two-base hit; Hanon the same with two on bags; Scotland the same. Batteries, first game—Phillies, Thomas and Fisher and Loftin; Penns, Pugh and Hannah. Umpire, Charlie Baugh.

The second game lasted only seven innings, with the same batteries. Was a very hard one for our visitors to win, when Pugh hit a homer, clearing three bases. With two out, Davis hit a pop-up to the shortstop and was out. One visitor was in the hitting line in the second game. Hannon hit for two bases; Griffin three-base hit with two on bags; Davis went on a hit for two bases, with one on bag; Boots also taking a two-base hit, with two on bags. Scores:

Second game—
Phillies ....0 0 0 0 2 0 3 0 0 0 2—7
Penns ....0 0 0 4 0 0 0 0 1 1—6
Fourth—
Phillies ....1 0 0 1 5 0 1 1 0—9
Penns ....2 0 1 2 3 0 4 2—14
Fifth—Double-header—
Phillies ....1 0 3 3 0 2 0 0 1—10
Penns ....1 0 3 0 2 2 2 0 1—11
Second game—
Phillies ....0 0 1 1 1 0 0—3
Penns ....0 0 0 4 2 3—9

Umpires—Hank O'Shay, Alic C. Baugh.

Capt. Johnson says his team wasn't in condition. They expect to take on a few new players on the road. They left for New Orleans, La.

W. H. Schlichter's champion Philadelphia Giants, under the management of Home-run Johnson, one of the leading colored players of the country, together with Barber James Waid Fisher, San Top Giants, hard hitting catcher from Texas, and other fast young players, played here April 18, 20, 21 and 22—19th, wet grounds. All who enjoy fast, clean baseball will do well to attend the series at Lincoln Park. Philadelphia's record last season was: Games won, 122; lost, 18; tied, 4. They went through the entire season without having a shut-out record against them.

Schlichter, former sporting editor of the Philadelphia Item, is traveling with the team, and always has an eye out for young players of ability. He is a keen judge of young players. He always keeps a correct score of all games. Friday and Saturday a brass band furnished music.

The Pensacola Giants will leave here about June 1 for a southern and northern tour, taking in most of the large cities. Manager Goldstucker says they won't lose as many games as they home. They have the greatest support of the fans. The only trouble the local Giants have is with Hank O'Shay. There is no way in the world to win any game against the umpire. Hank gave us some bad decisions at the game on April 20, and we all know it. I advise you younger boys to study the political past of baseball, for there will soon be a job for you if you have a very heavy voice. If Charlie can't do the right kind of work, there are others who can. Take myself and Richard Stollworth, Ed Rhone and Tom Milton—they know the game.

They locked him up in jail and charged him with some trifling fault, they spurned his offer of the kale and threw him in a prison vault. He looked out from the rusty bars, a tear of sorrow in his eye, and thought upon the black cigars, the great white way and extra dry. Great men have suffered much the same in ages that have taken wing. Columbus wore upon his fame the fetters of an ingrate king. I think of all his woes and pains, and all my nerves with anger burns, the great Columbus bowed with chains. And now its little Arthur's turn. I cast my eye a-down the years and see John Bunyan in his cell and watch him through a mist of tears write allegories passing well, hemmed in by walls of gloomy stone. The plaudits of a world to earn, he starved I look the musty records o'er and all my stricken soul complains. Great Raleigh in his dungeon wrote and from his writing we may learn how grief may sound a noble bore the ingrate and the tyrant's chains, and labored all alone, and now its little Arthur's turn. O, noble souls that bravely note—and now its Brother Johnson's turn.

Don't forget to get a Freeman and the Crisis, a colored monthly magazine, at the Pensacola Drug Store and Phoenix Pharmacy. Wallace W. Thomas.

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The Games, by a Member of the Philadelphias.

I have just finished a series of five games with the Pensacola Giants, under the management of Goldstucker Brothers, and I want to say that the treatment accorded me and my team could not be excelled by any one, colored or white. Every facility for an honest game and an honest accounting at the gate was accorded me, and I would most heartily recommend any club to do business with the Goldstucker Brothers, and I know that they will be accorded fair and honest treatment. As president of the National Association of Colored Baseball Clubs, I will use all my influence to have the clubs in our association play Pensacola, under the management of Goldstucker Bros., whenever possible, confident of fair treatment and knowing that all visiting clubs will get even more than is coming to them. Hoping you will publish this as a testimonial to two of the gamest colored men in baseball, I am, respectfully yours,

H. A. SCHLICHTER,
Philadelphia Giants.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

TWENTY MINUTES IN HELL. THE DEVIL YOU SAY!

At the Arcade Theater—It's a Swell Play—It's on Everybody's Tongue—It's the Talk of the Town.

(By L. D. Joel.)

If you are in the vicinity of 81 Decatur street call around.
You have witnessed some good shows it can't be denied;
See the "Devil in Hell" tonight and go home satisfied
That Tim Owsley is one great man;
He knows what we want and is at our command.
His wide experience as a producer has taught him well
To know that the Arcade patrons like to see the "Devivl in Hell."
From the crowds that congregate at 81 each night,
To gain admittance they do everything but fight.
"Twenty Minutes in Hell" is the title of the act;
It's the best ever offered our patrons. It is a positive fact,
For 10c and 15c at the Arcade you will see
The best production you have witnessed you must agree.
Tell your friends and neighbors all about the show;
If they haven't seen it, then tell them to go.
I have said enough, but could say more.
To hear the rest call tonight at the door;
Joel, the theatrical king, is known to most of you.
You get value for your money. What more can the king do?
For one hour and a half you will sit and wonder.
See the devil in hell—plenty of lightning and thunder.
His imps are there dressed in gay red attire,
The sinners are burned in a pit of fire.
Don't miss seeing this act, for a lesson you will learn,
And go away swearing a new leaf you'll turn.
When you see the "Devil in Hell" tonight
You will do no more cursing, drinking, nor fight.
You may be bad and wicked, which you will regret
And after seeing the show a different person you'll be, I'll bet.
Twenty Minutes in Hell. The Devil You Say!

Tonight and all this week at the Arcade Theater, 81 Decatur Street, Atlanta, Ga.

STAGE NOTES.

Morse & Ray, playing at the Howard, Boston, Mass., this week.

Williams & Stevens at the Lincoln theater, New York, this week.

Cooper & Robinson are at the Hudson theater, Hoboken, this week.

Anderson & Goins are at the Brown theater, New York, this week.

Jones & Gilliam at the Majestic theater, Toronto, Can., this week.

The Four Black Diamonds are this week at Empire theater, Calgary, Can.

Black Patti company this week at the Columbia theater, Newark, N. J.

The Five Licorice Sticks are playing this week at the Grand theater, Chicago.

Cole & Johnson's Sambo Girls at Keith's theater, Providence, R. I., this week.

The Pewees are in their record week at the Maceo theater, Charleston, S. C.

Bert Williams with Follies of 1910 at the Columbia theater, San Francisco, this week.

Madam Leota Blackburn, of Chicago, is visiting her aunt, at 818 W. North street, Indianapolis.

Frank Kirk, musical tramp, is now on the Walter F. Keefe time. Oshkosh, Wis., week of May 1st; Fon du Lac week of the 8th.

Black Patti show at Philadelphia, week of May 1st to 6th. This week the show is beating all records at Newark, N. J.

Black Patti closes June 1st, at which time it will have had a season of forty-five weeks. The tour has been the most successful of all.

Scott & Crosby, Tom, Maggie, have rejoined hands. They will be seen at the New Grand theater, Chicago, May 1st.

Marie Jackson Stuart will appear with her company in a four-act race drama, "The Struggle," at the Berkeley theater, New York, April 28th.

Wm. Bryant and J. W. Wright, euphoniumist and drummer, wille be with the Sunny Dixie Minstrels this season instead of the Yankee Robinson circus.

The aStisfied Musical Enterprise with the Two Bills show; now enroute. Opened up in Washington, D. C., April 11th under the direction of Prof. Bismarck Ferris.

Avery & Hart, who never fail to amuse, appeared at the Brown theater last week. To say the Brownsters weer pleased is placing it mildly. This clever pair was a decided hit.

The team of Jines & Daniels close a successful three weeks' engagement at the Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla., and will open Monday at the Maceo theater, Columbia, S. C.

Ledman & Sommers made on of the bigegst hits on the bill at the Savoy theater last week. The act is creating a big impression wherever they appear.

Black Carle and Robert Slater have formed a partnership. The new team should turn out something extraordinary if experience and hustling ability count for anything.

Virginia Crawford at the Lagman theater, Mobile, Ala., making good; also Dave Lipkins, Lula Smith, Ed Johnson, Garfield McGee is stage director and manager and people are pleased.

Buckner & Buckner, of St. Louis, later of Harris and Green Dixie Minstrels, now making big hit in the south. Manager Bud White is well pleased with them. Will be held over for two weeks.

Billy Arnte, of the Arntes, late from England, would like to hear from his sister, Miss Rose Bud Arnte. She has moved from Pittsburg, Pa., to Toledo, O. Billy says write me care of the Freeman office.

The Florida Strollers, the new burlesque company, colored) playing through Pennsylvania, report good business. Frank Delyons and J. W. Jeffries and James Worles, Billie Ritchie, James Slater and Rosamond Williams are doing nicely with the show.

I wish to say that the statement made by Mr. Billy B. Johnson, the big time vaudeville star is not appreciated with the professionals. My wife, Mrs. Beatrice Johnson and myself, Mr. London Johnson, who have played Washington, D. C., and southward, are sure to be Two Johnsons.

Little Marion Smith, of the Smith family, scored a big hit with "Yum Yum Tree" as also Little Dorothy Smith who made a distinct hit with "I Love It" and "Love Me Like I Like to Be Loved" at the vaudeville show at Rabbi's hall, Bloomfield, N. J. They will be Asbury Park, N. J., all summer.

Voelskel & Forbish's real colored new and original Dandy Dixie Minstrels is announced for next season. It is further styled America's best and the world's most modern minstrel organization. The new aggregation is headed by a pair that do things. Their well known ability assures something out of the ordinary. Look for the Dandy Dixie Minstrels.

Edwards & Edwards (B. E., the skyscraping tenor and Nettie W.) opened in Savannah, Ga., at the Pekin theater, on the 17th. Scored a big hit. Their act is first class. Others on the bill are Robinson & Robinson, in their novelty skating act; Campbell & Campbell, Moore & Moore, and Tom Scott, all playing with success. Orchestra all right.

Wm. D. Evans, promoter of the Lyre theater, Louisville, and a partner in the business, has withdrawn his interests. It is rumored that the cause of the disagreement of he and Seals was on the price paid acts. Evans booked some first-class acts whilst in Chicago, several weeks ago. Seals thought the price excessive, hence the dissolution. Evans is well known and liked by the profession, and is capable of making good in any capacity.

The Hub theater, Charlotte, N. C., a new and classical playhouse, opened Saturday, April 22, 1911, with high-class vaudeville and acts. Wish to hear from all first-class performers at all times. The climate is fine. We have with us Green & Green, of Norfolk, Va. The Two Johnsons, of Charleston, S. C. John Bumbray, of Petersburg, Va. Daniels Renalds, the slack wire artist of Texas, and Chas. J. Harris, with his superb orchestra of four musicians, who reads, transposes and fakes. London Johnson, stage manager.

Madam Labelle Glenn, the Creole Tetrazena of Chicago, is now playing southern vaudeville circuit under the sole management and direction of Mr. L. D. Joel, the theatrical king, and wishes to announce that a l mail be sent to him at his headquarters, at 81 Decatur St., Atlanta, Ga. Madam Glenn has twenty weeks of Mr. Joel's bookings in the different houses he is connected with. Will be at Airdome theater, Augusta, Ga., next week. Am meeting with great success and cannot express her high appreciation for Mr. Joel's efforts in my behalf.

The ceelbrated L. Don Bradford and wife have recently left Miami, Fla., where he was very successful in setting up three theaters with unique and up-to-date scenery. He painted new scenery for Arcade theater, Mr. Jandon (white(, Airdome theater, Mr. Will Cash (colored), Opera House, Mr. McQuaide. He is now with Prof. Eph Williams Famous Troubadours where he has painted new scenery for the Troubadours. Has also renewed the cars, making them now among the best show cars traveling. Mr. Bradford is also taking the leading character as Mr. Jones, the private secretary of Mr. Silas Green.

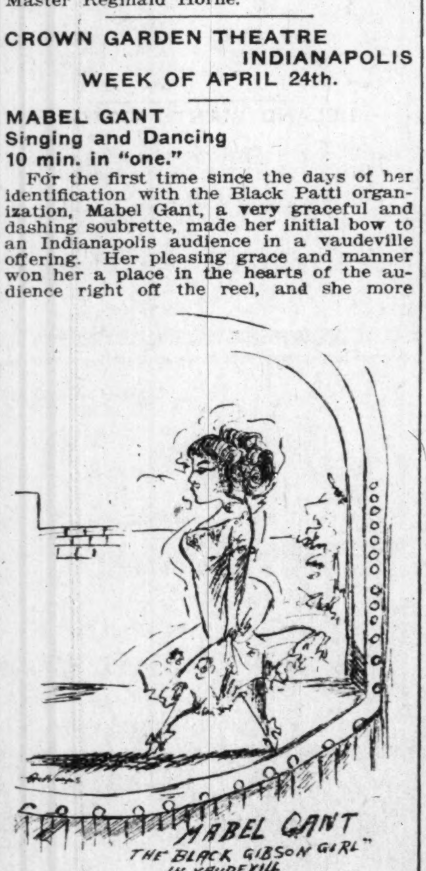
The Walnut Grove Park theater, Helena, Tex., opened its doors April 20, '11, with a large crowded house. If one should have passed the theater and heard the noise any one would have thought it was a football game, instead of a show. Overton opened with one of his forest comedy, the Barber's Ball. Closed with Lucindie's Wedding, which was a decided hit. Mr. Cleve Jone, Mgr., says this is one of the strongest shows put on here since he has been manager. He complimented Overton and the bunch to the highest. Cleve Jones would like to hear from all first-class performers for stock company. Write C. E. Jones, 213 Rightor St., Helena, Ark.

Horne's Georgia Minstrels enroute with Young Buffalo's Wild West show will open April 28, 1911, at Peoria, Ill. Gee what a jolly bunch we are! Roster of band: A. L. Grayson, tuba; Jewel Johnson, baritone; George Ross, 1st trombone; Jess Brooks, 2nd trombone; R. L. Davis, 1st alto; Master Reginald Horne, 2nd alto; H. Hunt, solo B flat cornet; Will Moore, 1st solo B flat cornet; W. L. Horne, solo B flat cornet and director; T. A. Sulser, solo B flat clarinet. Orchestra: Jewel Johnson, 2nd violin; W. L. Horne, 1st violin; T. A. Sulser, clarinet; H. Hunt, cornet; A. L. Grayson, bass; Tweed Wilds, traps; extreme end, George Ross and R. L. Davis; second end, Jasper Taylor and Will Moore. We have in the minstrel part Mrs. Lula Horne, interlocutor; Miss Lucy Love, soubrette, and Master Reginald Horne.

CROWN GARDEN THEATRE INDIANAPOLIS WEEK OF APRIL 24th.

MABEL GANT
Singing and Dancing
10 min. in "one."

For the first time since the days of her identification with the Black Patti organization, Mabel Gant, a very graceful and dashing soubrette, made her initial bow to an Indianapolis audience in a vaudeville offering. Her pleasing grace and manner won her a place in the hearts of the audience right off the reel, and she more than made good. There isa striking resemblance in her dainty pestures to those of that princess of grace and style among colored stage women, Black Patti. Her songs were rendered with a touch and finish superior to the average soubrette and her willowy dances captivated her audiences. Miss Gant is a distinct success in vaudeville.



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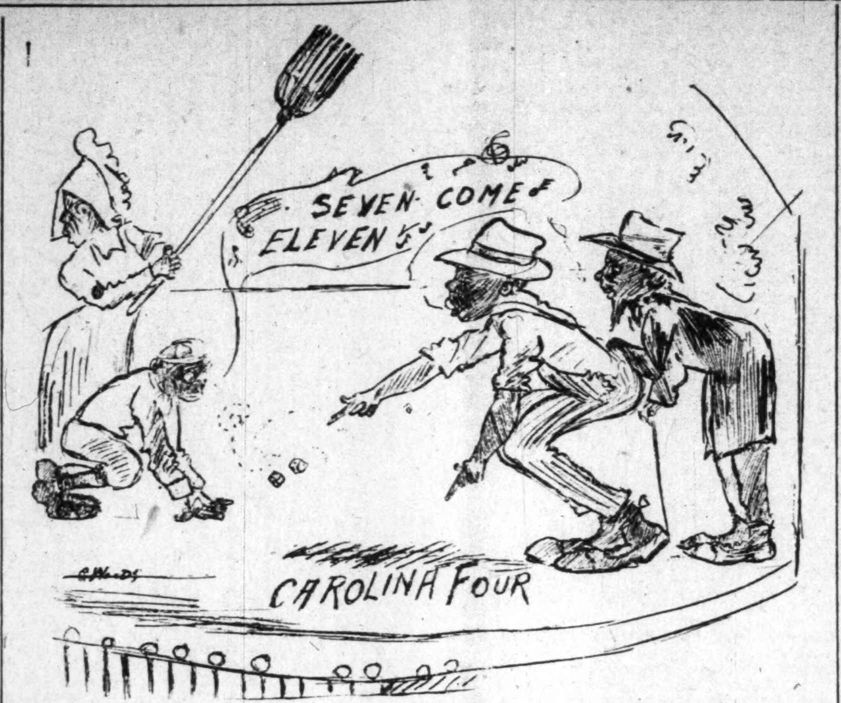
WILLIAMS & CROSBY
Singing, Dancing and Talking
12 min. in "one."

This act has a scope and range superior in many respects to the average acts of its kind. It is well balanced and gives forth flashes of the old time dash and vim that made Smart & Williams famous a decade ago. Mr. Williams has lost none of his droll humor. Time seems not to have affected him adversely in either his comedy or dancing, in fact, he seems to have improved with age. He sets a rugged pace in his eccentric dances and scores heavily with his old time "winging" stunt which draws forth a burst of yellage from the audience. THhe woman in the team is Miss Odessa Crosby, a sister of Miss Goldie Crosby of the Perrin & Crosby& team. She has a fine stage appearance, good voice and dresses the part tastefully and well. Her articulation in the dialouge of the act as well as jestures and "business" lend a tone of convincing realism that is distinct and displays real art. The team has accepted extensive engagements over the Southern "time" now controlld by Charles O. Harding and will open on this time in Memphis, Tenn.

WILLIAMS & CROSBY.



CAROLINA FOUR
Comedy Quarteete
Full Stage, 12 to 15 min.

This is one of the best known quartettes playing the small time. The present engagement is the third that the act has played at the Crown Garden this season. They were welcomed by a tremendous ovation as they appeared upon their return. The act is full of snap and ginger. Their stuff is all original and one does not have to wait for anything. The comedy introduced is far away from the usual slapstick variety and they hand over a bunch of real Negro comedy. The Carolina Four are versatile in their efforts, and they are capable of so arranging their act as to make acceptable to either a white or colored audience. This is an unusual feature and certainly is not common to the "brother" in framing acts who invariably go to seed as entertainers of one race or the other. Nature has provided each member of the quartette with splendid "pipes" and the harmonious melody of the songs rendered is a treat. The Carolina Four is undoubtedly the best bunch of character people seen in a quartette here for many moons. They are easily the best colored act of its kind seen here this season.

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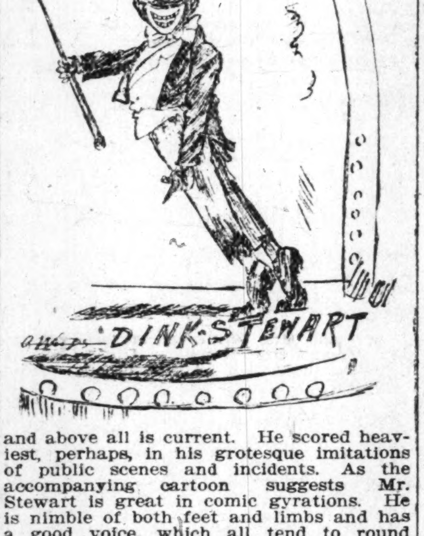
DINK STEWART
Talking, Singing and Dancing
10 to 12 min. in "one."

Dink Stewart presented a very funny singing and talking act. He has a style all his own. His comedy is well chosen and above all is current. He scored heaviest, perhaps, in his grotesque imitations of public scenes and incidents. As the accompanying cartoon suggests Mr. Stewart is great in comic gyrations. He is nimble of both feet and limbs and has a good voice, which all tend to round out a pleasant 10 minutes of fun and laughter.



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EARL WALKER

The Crown Garden's New Manager.

It is the prevailing impression among the theatrical public in Indianapolis that Mr. Roland Geyer the proprietor of the Crown Garden theater, has made a signal move for the betterment of his house not only artisticalyy, but financially, by the selection of Mr. Earl Walker as his new manager. The artistic side of the impression is already amply verified by the splendid character of the two bills presented under the new manageemnt. Mr. Walker has provided the patrons of the house during his short reign with the very best that could be secured and declares that it shall be his policy throughout to get the best available acts. Mr. Walker is a performer of wide experience and is popular among his brother Thespians.

THE CINCINNATI THEATERS.

The Pekin and the Gaither.

The Pekin opened Monday night with a good, clean bill. Miss Lucy Shepherd, whose connection seems to be indefinite with this house as a vocalist, opens the bill as usual and is well received. Green & Miller follow with a very funny singing and talking act. Clifford Green is well known here, having appeared here on a number of occasions as the team of Stewart & Green. He is doing about the same work as on other trips and received a rousing ovation from the many friends he has made in this city. His new partner, Miller, scored heavily when he sang "That's Why They Call Me Shine." The Hillmans returned after a few weeks' absence, with a brand new act and judging from the many encores they received they will become big favorites in Brownville. The bill as a whole is a very strong one.

The Gaither opened Monday night with the Goodloe Southern Belle Stock Co. This is about the tenth week for this company, and they are still drawing large crowds. The cast is about the same as last week, with the exception of John Gertrude, a monologist, who fits in the olio very nicely. Mr. Goodloe has arranged a nice chorus out of the entire company and the opener is very classy. The company closes with a funny little farce entitled "School Days" where everybody in the cast shows to a nice advantage.

Baby Jim, the largest living human being in the world, is filling dates in several of the white theaters in this city, and has proved to be one of the best attractions seen in town lately.

Frank Bennet the new pianist at the Pekin, is filling the bill nicely.

Something new in the colored theater circles is promised in the near future.

Stewart & Marshal were the headliners at the Orpheum last week.

A Japanese juggling act will be one of the features at the Pekin next week.

The Ten Georgia Campers are playing at the Peoples theater, on Vine street, this week. They are the hit of the show.

THE LYRE THEATER LOUISVILLE, KY.

The line of attractions at the Lyre theater week of April 24, are the strongest of the vaudeville season. Eliza Johnson, a singer of rare ability, has easily captivated the audiences. Miller & Stoval, the rip-roaring comedians, keeps the audiences in an uproar. Ora Criswell, the ragtime queen, in new songs, seems to be the popular idol, taking encores at each show. Gary & Bamboo close the bill with a nice singing and dancing act that pleases well. Bamboo's dancing on roller skates is a very pleasing novelty. The bill throughout is one of the best seen in Louisville.

WHERE THE LIMELIGHT SHINES.

Doings of the Theatrical People in the Nation's Capital.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

The Whitney Musical Comedy Company is filling a month's engagement at the New Howard, and is meeting with gratifying success. "George Washington Bullion," a piece made famous by Ernest Hogan, S. H. Dudley and Billy McClain, was an auspicious opener, and enthusiastic audiences crowded the house at every performance. The music, composed by Whitney, Tutt and Watterson, was extolled to the skies, and the company was voted the best singing show on the road. The Whitney party emphasizes its musical ability, reaching the grand opera standard in its serious scenes, and there is sufficient comedy of a clean and wholesome character to make the productions well-rounded and adaptable to all tastes.

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This week "The Star of Zanzibar" is duplicating the success of last week's "Bullion," and the parts are cast with equal wisdom. Besides playing their roles in finished style, between the acts five high-class vaudeville acts are interpolated. Miss Mabel DeHearde has a Spanish dance; Madame Bruce renders classic and folk-songs; J. Frances Mores gives a baritone solo; Miss Nettie Taylor plays the banjo and cornet artistically; and S. Tutt Whitney presents a side-splitting monologue. Misses Lavinia Brown, Maybelle Brown, Ethel Marshall, J. C. Wright and others appear to marked advantage. Homer Tutt, an Indianapolis product, as a Barry Wall fashion-plate and light comedian, has become a "matinee idol," and is regarded as the logical successor to the late George W. Walker.

S. Tutt Whitney, the principal fun-maker, measures up fully to the standards set by Hogan, Williams, Dudley and Larkins, but is so original in his methods that he may be said to stand in a class alone. He is not only a natural humorist, but is a legitimate actor and a singer of quality. His rich basso has earned him a national reputation, and has led to his being styled "The Black Whitney," after the renowned Myron W. Whitney, the star of the old "Bostonians." The orchestra under the painstaking direction of Henry Watterson is worthy of special mention, and the chorus is admirably drilled and elegantly costumed. The gowns of the leading ladies were marvels of the modiste's art.

On the opening night, Mrs. Aida Overton Walker, of "The Smart Set," occupied a box, remaining over to see the Whitney production. After the performance she went on the stage and warmly congratulated the company. With Mrs. Walker were Miss Anna Jarrett and Miss Minnie Brown. It is hinted that when Mrs. Walker goes out next season at the head of her own company, several of the principals of the Whitney aggregation may be found on her salary list.

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Comedian T. Spencer Finley is resting.

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"My Friend From Dixie" is heading toward home.

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Mrs. Aida Overton Walker is anxious to become more proficient on the 'cello, and being impressed with the skill of Prof. H. Leonard Jeter as an instructor, she may spend a few weeks here at the close of her season to take a further course of lessons under him.

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Box parties are the fashionable thing during these weeks of fine road attractions.

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Moore & Moore and White & White, vaudeville artists, are featured at the Minnehaha.

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The Howard will be brilliant many nights next month with an array of school commencements.

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The Folrida Strollers, a colored company, headed by Worles, Gaines and Jones, are at Kernan's Lyceum this week.

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The Whitneys close here, unless they decide to rake in some of the "velvet" the people of Norfolk are anxious to hand them.

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Mr. George E. Battle is making good as manager at the Hiawatha. He may go out with Jolly John Larkins and Jennie Pearl for a summer stunt at close of season.

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The Amphion Glee Club, under the direction of Prof. J. Henry Lewis, will present Gilbert & Sullivan's tuneful opera, "The Pirates of Penzance" at the New Howard, June 2.

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If the plans of the Howard University Dramatic Company mature, a bust of the last George W. Walker will adorn the lobby of the Howard theater between now and the opening of the next season.

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Miss Madeline Cooper, Miss Lizzie Taylor and Jeff DeMount are putting on a good bill at Ford Dalneyl's, and Miss Tillie Seguin and Miss Muriel Ringgold are pleasing the crowds at the Foraker.

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Miss Florine M. Tyson, acting manager and treasurer, and Lew Henry, the stage manager, are highly regarded by Proprietor Benedict because of their demonstrated loyalty and painstaking discharge of their exacting duties.

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Miss Minnie Brown, the "Girl of the Golden West," goes to Richmond and Norfolk this week for an indefinite booking. She has broken all records as an attraction here, and deserves all the success that has come to her.

NOTICE.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Stella Lee Taylor will please notify her mother, Mrs. Mollie Taylor, 706 S. State St., Chicago, Ill.

ROUTE.

PROF. R. ROY POPE'S CONCERT BAND WITH RINGLING BROS.' CIRCUS—Washington, D. C., May 1, 2; Baltimore, Md., 3, 4.

PROF. P. G. LOWERY'S ENTERPRISE WITH WALLACE-HEGENBACH CIRCUS—Danville, Ill., May 1; Lafayette, Ind., 2; Logansport, 3; Kokomo, 4; Anderson, 5; Marion, 6.

SATISFIED MUSICAL ENTERPRISE WITH TWO BILL'S SHOW—Chester, Pa., May 1; Camden, N. J., 2; Trenton, 3; Newark, 4; Jersey City, 5; Newburg, N. Y., 6.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—April 30, Leavenworth, Kan.

GEORGIA TROUBADOURS UNDER PERSONAL DIRECTION OF WILLIAM McCABE—Fayette, Ga., May 1, 2; Arlington, 3, 4; Strawberry Point, 5, 6, 7.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Beaman, J.
Burke, Robert C.
Carter, Paul
Coleman, John
Culligan, T. J.
Earl and Sherwood.
Frye, Ed
Hull, D. R.
Hearde, Jack H.
Herd, Kid
Israel, George
Johnson Musical Co.
Jones, A. G.
Moss, A. G.
Mack, Billy.
Miller, W. B.
Nealey, Walter.
Overstreet, Will
Puggsley, Wm.
Sharpe, B. A.
Taylor, Geo.
Trice, F. C.
Wiley, Lawee.
Williams, Andrew.
Woodson, J. H.

Ladies' List.

Dorsey, Miss Mattie.
Johnson, Mrs. B.
Johnson, Mrs. Fay
Lewis, Mrs. Mattie.
Thompson, Mrs. Lizzie.
Henderson, Miss Catha.
Singleton, Baby Doll.
Cooper, Miss Madeline J.
Miller, Miss Mamie
Pryer, Miss Ethel
Ramsey, Miss Alice

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

The McCarvers are at the Plaza Hheater, New York, April 27, 28 and 29.

Arthur L. Prince and his educated hoops last week at the Tremont Theater, New York.

The Moores, Tom and Hester, opened at the Star Theater, Washington, D. C., April 17th, for one week; opened at the Minnehaha Theater April 24th.

The team of Little Irma and Elbert White, the high-class entertainers, opened at the Blue Mouse Theater, Washington, D. C., and are pleasing the audiences.

Oscar Carter, manager of the Majestic Theater, Hot Springs, Ork., says that he will be in Indianapolis this spring on his way to Chicago, where he will purchase new costumes for his company.

The Original Black Bees opened to the standing room only audiences at Canal Dover, Ohio, April 20 to 22, at the Pike Theater. They are playing on Sun Time. Walter S. Lyons is the manager.

W. H. McKaulass, the oldest living minstrel manager and proprietor, is indisposed at this time. Said to be serious. He has handled some of the very best white and colored talent. Lizzie Perry is the professional name of his wife.

The only Ed F. Peat, who was imprisoned at Moyamensing, Pa., and held under $800 bail for assault and battery, is out again, through the assistance of his baseball partner, Charlie McKenzie. Peat and McKenzie will leave Philadelphia for New York City, April 29.

The Freeman has received a bunch of excellent press notices of the Black Patti Company from around about Boston. They are a series of splendid testimonials of that company's performances and especially about the principals, Black Patti, Jolly John Larkins and others. The Freeman thanks Manager Voelckel for kindly remembrance.

Mae Whitman and her "toy" comedians, Reid and Palmer, are now meeting with great success at the Pekin Theater in Richmond, Va. Miss Whitman has had charge of each stage while playing the circuit, as manager and producer, as well as taking an active part in working with her boys. The managers recommend her highly for her business tact and good work.

Richard Scott, head porter of the Parker shows, was highly entertained on Monday night, April 17, by Will Hullet and friends of J. M. Buckley's minstrel. Met them at Wagner, Okla. Parker shows en route to Muskogee. All were well and happy. Scott will leave the No. 2 company at Bartlesville, Ark., to get No. 1 company cars ready for opening date, May 8. Scott hos both company's cars in charge and has some of the best train porters on the road.

The Wallburgs are now en route with Campbell Bros.' circus, and are still creating quite a sensation with their double buck and wing dancing. Mrs. Wallburg is singing , "Angel Eyes," "Stop, Stop Stop," "Lovie Joe" and numerous other songs, responding to several encores at every performance. Mr. Wallburg has charge of the band, which is composed of twelve pieces, and when they start on parade all they hear is, "Mr., do you all play 'Casey Jones' and 'Steamboat Bill,' and the 'Barber Shop Chord'?"

A CORRECTION.

There appeared in The Freeman, Indianapolis, among the Washington notes, in the issue of April 15, an article concerning the Odeon Theater, in which it was stated that it had been leased to the Blue Mouse at 26th and M.

Your correspondent has been misinformed. The Blue Mouse Company has not leased the Odeon, and has no intention of so doing.

Very respectfully,
H. C. SMITH.

JESSE SHIPP

Famous Producer at Pekin Theater, of Chicago, Which They Claim Was a Fine Performance.

The headliners for the week of April 17th are Davis and Berry, of the Orpheum circuit, a big picnic act which was a scream. Mr. Barry is a fine piano player on the order of J. Rosmand Johnson. Mr. Davis is a great comedian without doubt. Miss Alberta Smiley, soubrette last week. She has made many friends here. Emma Thornton and Kid Austin, is a team that will go big anywhere. Ello and Chintz Moore left for Galveston, Tex. They are the fashion plates of the stage on or off. Next week we have Fred A. Barrasso All-Star Stock Company, with Buddy McGill and Estelle Harris, also showing three reels of pictures. Mr. Anselem Barrasso made a trip from Memphis to Hot Springs to inspect the Majestic theater.

THE GLOBE THEATER JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Week of April 17. The team of Wiggins and Wiggins arrived in town safe and opened Monday night, featuring their own act, entitled the 'Hobble Prince." This makes the team's third time in Jacksonville, going bigger and better this time than the first time they were here. And they are still holding the championship of all dancers in the South; and say, he's willing to meet all comers, and this is not hot air either. This is no mistake, he is one dancing poor child. And I can say Wiggins and Wiggins are featuring the latest songs and two of them are favorites of the South, "Sweet Italian Love," published by Ted Snyder Co.; and "I Love It," published by Harry Von Tilzer. They have gotten more out of this song than anybody that has ever played the house. And I can say no manager will make a mistake when he books the team of Wiggins and Wiggins. Jack ("Ginger") Wiggins sends his regards to all in and out of the profession, and would like to hear from Russell, Owens and Brooks Stock Company.

THE SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

Aboard Our Private Car, "Dana"—Dana Thompson, Owner; Ed. Cohn, Manager.

Our company is now playing Missouri and all the company is in high spirits. The two Boyds—viz, Stella and Al—joined us Tuesday, (April 18th, and Mr. Boyd will take charge of the change. Miss Lula Jackson arrived from Chicago and the female section of the show is strong, as any on the road. Mr. Frank Perryman, band leader, received a full set of instruments for his musical act, costing $200.00. Mr. D. W. Botsell can be seen daily arranging music for the new opening and finale. While rehearsing the orchestra last week over the new overture. Mr. Albert C. Barrow, trombonist, joined us recently at Muskogee, Okla. Our band never fails to get plenty of applause at each band concert. Mrs. W. E. Lewis spent several days with her husband, Mr. W. E. Lewis, but has returned to Muskogee, Okla. Alabama Bound—arranged for band by D. W. Botsell, is cleaning up. The bunch sends regards to all friends.

THE SOUTHERN ROSE MINSTRELS HARTSVILLE, S. C.

The spring of the Southern Rose Minstrels at Hartsville, S. C., Monday night, of last week, shows that the town is a live one. There were hundreds of people gathered around the show and when the doors of the big show were thrown open at 7:30 p. m. it was a hard task for Manager Tom Moss to collect the tickets, as well as it was for Dr. C. E. Barfield, the sole owner, to hand them out at the ticket office. With the assistance of Mrs. C. E. Barfield, the wife of the sole owner, Dr. C. E. Barfield of the Southern Rose Minstrels. Every member of the company is as well as could be expected and are working hard to make a success for the new show. Mr. E. N. Calloway, our stage manager, is doing all that he can for the benefit of the show, and with the assistance of Wm. Dewey, everything is working smooth and is showing to big houses every night. Mrs. Daisy Calloway, the South Carolina nightingale, is scoring heavy every night with her singing and dancing turn Mr. Harrison Chisom, our leading comedian is making good in every way. Willie Hudson and Flossie Ingram, that singing and dancing team, are scoring big hits nightly. They are said to be as good as any team of its kind in the South. Sidney Easton and wife, Sarah Easton, are going strong here. They are from Savannah, Ga. and are good. Big Jim York and Ethel, his wife, are here and doing well. Dennis, the trap drummer and his wife, Ruth, are also making good. Our old friend, Daniel Gillem, is on the job with his big tuba horn and is playing some bass. Mr. Tom Moss, the manager, and Dr. C. E. Barfield, the owner, seem to think very well of them all.

STAGE STRUCK GIRLS' LETTERS TO FRANK HENDON

Dear Hendon—I havne's seen anything in the Freeman about the S. R. O. sign for a long time. What has become of it?

A.—For goodness sake don't tell any one. They say Frank Montgomery has kidnapped it.

(2) Dear Hendon—My beau is a country boy and he says that the best baseball players are country chaps.

Respectfully, BESSIE.

A.—Well Bes, when it comes to baseball, Mr. Foster is there. You know he is a rube.

(3) Dear Hendon—I'm somewhat stage struck, but my girl friend has discouraged me by saying I was too lazy to become a performer. Thanking you in advance for some encouragement, I'm respectfully, MARION GOODRICH.

A.—Cheer up. She is jealous because you are good and rich. If your name is Marion you are not lazy. I know a Marion who once traveled with the Dudley aggregation, and she is smart.

MODEL STOCK COMPANY AT DALLAS, TEX.

The Model Stock Company, situated at 2209 Elm street, Dallas, Tex., has been playing to S. O. R. every night with great success.

Mr. Luther B. McCoy, the playwright and producer, opened his bill the week of April 23, with a headliner, a western drama, "Jim Dart Keeps His Promise."

Mr. Richard Edward, better known as "Honey Gall" alias "Bogus," is yet starring in the company.

Our orchestra is headed by Miss Alma Webster, pianist, who is accompanied by Mr. Vernia Johnson, with trombone, and Mr. Will Woods with trap drum.

Mr. Thos. J. (Pet) Hicks, who opened with the company, is all smiles and making good as usual.

Miss Roxie Caldwell is taking from three to six encores each night, singing "The Bear Cat Rag."

Little Ebbie Forceman is a real "coon shouter" from the fields of sugar cane.

Mr. James (Doc) Straine is a real villain, and Mr. Reid Conner has never failed to make love and do his part as hero when required to do so.

Miss Effie Johnson of "The Sunny South," has joined hands with the company.

Address all communications to Model Theater, 2213 Elm St., Dallas, Tex.

NOTES FROM DIXIE LAND MINSTRELS

With the Johnny J. Jones Carnival Company.

We are now in the State of North Carolina doing good business with our Dixie Minstrels. Our Bally-Ho Band has fallen off again, owing to the sudden departure of our cornet and tuba players, Mr. Alonzo Turner and Mr. Wm. Blake. They left us in Newbern, N. C., to accept positions with the G. H. Sparks Annex Show. The members of Dixie Land wish them both success in their undertaking.

Mrs. May Hagler is creating quite a sensation in the old Tarheel State by her singing. Mrs. Mary Bailey is also making a decided hit.

Mrs. Phillips is also scoring a success.

Little Miss Annie Porter, late of Walcott's Amusement Company, is certainly there with the vim.

Mrs. Louise Neely is also holding the audiences spellbound with her late songs.

Mr. Rastus Neely, our snare drummer and comedian, keeps the audience in a continuous roar with his crazy song, "Tough Guy Levi."

Mr. Frank Phillips is still singing "Miss Josephine."

Mr. John Hagler, our stage manager, is featuring a song entitled "E-N-G-A-G-E-D Does not Spell Married to Me."

Mr. James Crawford, our eccentric old man comedian, is still pleasing each audience.

PASTIME THEATRE MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

The McMahon Stock Company opened Monday, April 10th, at the Pastime theater, Muskogee, Okla. It is solely owned and controlled by colored people. Owners, L. T. Brown and Robs. The stock company opened and is still playing to crowded houses nightly. We have 12 persons in the company and are having much success. Mr. McMahon, our manager and producer, is producing plays that go big. Cox and Harper in their burlesque as well as straight comedy, is taking the house by storm. Mrs. Cuther, our star soubrette, is taking fine singing "Under the Sugar Moon." Misses Myrtle Davis and Mabel Simmons are going big too. Miss Simmons first time in vaudeville. We have with us that sweet baritone singer, Lawrence Baker, who is ever cleaning with "Twilight Miss." Henry Vandyke, our assistant pianist, is ever pleasing the audience. Myrtle Williams, our prima donna, has been ill with a cold and unable to show her singing qualities, but she will be all right in a few days. Little Dodson Cuther, the baby boy, is very sweet and catchy. We have with us that great music man doing this week a trombone specialty and plays all instruments. He is known as "Sager, the Hobo." Last but not least Mrs. Travalee McMahon, our leading, is as ever cleaning with her dramatical work and singing "That Fussy Rag."

J. LEUBRIE HILL AND COMPANY, OMAHA, NEB.

J. Leubrie Hill and his company of colored stars, who have been touring the east and middle west during the present theatrical season, have been playing in Omaha, Neb., during the latter half of the past week. To merely mention the financial success and say nothing about other occurrences would be an injustice to the citizens of the town. The west is the home of the liberal hearted, and is that section of America which first received the appellation "God's Own Country." At present there lives in Omaha a Mr. Jack Broomfield, who was formerly a partner to Mr. Hill. Mr. Broomfield and his father, Billy Crutchfield, are the owners of the "Midway," a resort which comprises a buffet, a Chinese American cafe, an amusement hall and several suites of private rooms. It is one of the greatest sporting places in the world owned by colored; and is as well known in the west and middle west as the Pekin is in the east and middle west.

On the arrival of the company at the Omaha station on Thursday morning, they were met by Mr. Broomfield, who placed two large forty horsepower touring cars at their service. One of these, a beautiful seven seat affair, was placed immediately at the disposal of Mr. Hill during his stay in the city. The second car was placed at the disposal of Mr. Hill' secretary and other principals of the show. Every member of the troupe was most lavishly entertained for the entire three days they were in town.

Jimmie Lewis, a former New York boy, made things especially pleasant for Reily Gibson. The striking young Cuban, who is now so successfully filling the role of Jasepr Green, recently vacated by Louis Mitchell.

On Friday afternoon Messrs. Broomfield and Crutchfield gave a most elaborate dinner to half the company. A dinner that outranked anything of its kind before attempted. Nowhere in the entire tour has the company met with the cordial hospitality and generosity which they were accorded in Omaha. Jack Broomfield is a prince among entertainers and Billy Crutchfield is a worthy associate. OLLIE LEONARD.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

A Well-Observed Easter.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Easter Sabbath under a most brilliant skylight was made very elaborately beautiful in attraction, combining with special instructive programs, celebrating its usual anniversary of the greatest event in the annals of the world's history. For Easter is the anniversary of the greatest of all coronations, the day when all mankind were admitted to accept the plan of salvation and become heir to eternal life and wear a crown of life, because of our "risen Lord." And the subject for the sermons was the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the sermonettes were delivered with deep and profound thought. Nature's book of of purling brook, birdling carol, hum of bee, heavenly burst of bud and blossom and the myriad voices of fen and forest that tell of the springtide. And nature comes with all of its beauty, with the flowers and the sweetest fragrance for mankind. The Eastertide brings to the season all that embellishes one in the realm of fashion. The people view with each other in bowing at the altar of the newest style of fashion. The novelty of this Easter, the ladies hats and dressing were more different than it has been the people's privilege to see in previous years. And as they were seated in the churches they all presented the prettiest description of artistic design. ....At the Wiley Memorial M. E. church Rev. E. H. Forest D.D., pastor, the grandest Easter exercises were had and it was made very attractive and interesting to all. They had flowers in aboundance. And the "Cross" was indeed the special feature of the occasion. Then rendition of the program by the participants indicated study....The Easter custom in some old towns, consisted in bringing great cakes to the church, where they were divided among the young people to indicate their luck.... Easter superstitions—Draw the egg of blue means friends long and true. Pink will bring you luck, a lover full of pluck. Gladly take the eggs of green, good fortune soon will be seen. Wealth and happiness with egg of gray, keep it long, hide it safely away....The Thompkin A. M. E. Zion church, Rev. E. M. Argyle, B. D., pastor, has planned for a $1,000.000 rally on the third Sunday in June, 1911, and wishes with many thanks, that all who are friendly to this religious cause please give a donation....Mr. W. O. Smith, R. E. G. C., Knoxville, Tenn.. the G. C. of the state of Tennessee, is in the city on his annual visit of the K. T. We hope him a most pleasant stay in the city.... Rev. C. E. Tucker, D.D., pastor The Lenorad Street Presbyterian church, has been elected statte clerk at the Presbytery in sesion at Morristown, Tenn. He is quite an active and efficient divine in the religious work and success awaits him as such....Rev. C. A. Bell, B.D., pastor First Baptist church, will preach the baccalaureate sermon to the first graduating class of the Orchard Knob high school, at the Orchard Knob Baptist church Sunday, April 23, 2:30 p. m. This is a great event in the existence of this institution and adds to the catalogue of graduates the first of its school a class name of graduates. May this occasion be kept and cherished in the memories of all, and may the people in the community beget that inspiration which is to keep alive that activity to make the school second to none of its class in the state. We hail the dawn of day with delight, come when that hour may. We count it a special pleasure to state that Prof. John A. Williams, principal, is one of the Howard high school graduates, and was reared in this city and has stood in the foremost ranks of the educated circle of Chattnooga, and we are proud of his usefulness as an educator. Faculty: Prof. J. W. Williams, principal; Miss Maye C. Kasse, Miss Florine N. Jones. ....The revivals in progress at the various churches report success in the same and much interest is manifested in the meetings....Rev. C. A. Bell, B.D., pastor First Baptist church, and Rev. B. M. Dudley, pastor Prospect Baptist church left the city for Knoxville, Tenn., to attend the state Baptist Sunday school executive board meeting....Many persons are reported on the sick list and words of praise were uttered relative to the business outlook for the future of Chattanooga....We note that the public schools are now getting in readiness for their closing exercises, which promise to be superb and very interesting. They hope to present a most brilliant affair.. ..See Wm. Brooks, correspondent for the Freeman.

WAYCROSS, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Waycross is one of the most prosperous cities of the South, having grown from 7,000 in population in 1900, to 14,500 in 1910......The electoral college for the election of lay delegates to the general conference of the M. E. church was held at Gaines Chapel Wednesday, April 12. Col. E. W. Brinkins, of Thompkin, Ga., and Prof. Hurst, of Blackshear, Ga., were the lucky ones to go to Kansas City in May, next....Drs. G. P. Washington, H. C. Scarlet and Vernon are holding down the medical profession in our city....The Waycross Drug Co. is doing a fine business and our people should patronize them ....Remember The Freeman is at Blounts barber shop every Saturday evening, at 5 cents per copy....We have two colored insurance companies in our city, under the management of two fine young men, give them your business....Leave your subscription at Blount's, he will receipt you ....We had a very bad wreck in our city Wednesday morning, killing the conductor on one train and injuring the fireman so badly he may die........Messrs Wm. P. Brown, Jas. A. Young, S. D. Roseboro, and W. H. Pollard, the efficient letter carriers, are doing all they can to cope with present condition of affairs at the postoffice. They are still hoping Post-Master C. E. Murphy will do something to relieve them of such a large amount of mail that they have to handle.

CEDAR RAPIDS (IA.) NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Sam Patterson and family of Iowa City, were here Saturday and Sunday. They attended a reception given by Mrs. T. E. Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson also visited relatives. The friends of Cedar Rapids extend a hearty welcome to all of its colored citizens....Rev. L. J. Phillips, presiding elder of the Allen A. M. E. Church, was here all last week. Rev. Phillips preached a wakening sermon..... Rev. Ford has returned home from Des Moines, the capital. Mr. Ford is a member of the legislature....Mr. James Jackson, one of the best cooks in this city, is now on the Rock Island dining cars. Mr. Jackson is said to be the best all around cook in the state....Mr. Randolph, a colored barber, who is now working for Prof. Thorp, came to our city highly recommended as a first-class barber with the very best qualifications. He is not a church member, but he doesn't gamble, drink, smoke or swear—an exceptional barber....Mr. and Mrs. David Saunders of Marion were in the city Saturday and bought a copy of The Freeman and they say it is the best colored paper in the United States. Thank you, very much, and if at any further date you should desire a Freeman call at Jackson's barber shop, Second street and First avenue east, or at the Milwaukee depot.... James A. Durrough went to Anamosa last Monday and returned Tuesray.... Prof. Jackson's orchestra furnished music last Friday night for a white banquet given at the Montrose Hotel....Mr. M. E. La Rentze went to Marion Monday on business....Miss Mae Verden of Anamosa visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown of Stone City last Sunday. Miss Verden also enjoyed a birthday and received a shower of greetings from her many friends and relatives....The South Bend Sextette gave an entertainment at the white Baptist Church of West Cedar Rapids, Tuesday, and had a nice crowd. They showed at the Methodist Church in Marion Wednesday. They are making a great hit every where they stop....Mr. Sims, station master of the Chicago & Milwaukee depot, has installed a first-class news stand and a shining parlor in the depot. The Freeman will be on sale there....The Allen Christian Endeavor gave a splendid Easter program Sunday evening. The service was in charge of Mrs. Lucas.

PROGRAM.

Song—"Holy, Holy, Holy". . Congregation
Invocation .... Rev. Ferribee
Opening address—"Press"......Mrs. Gray
Duet ....Mr. and Mrs. G. Tyler
Reading—"Easter Eggs"...Forest Martin
Solo ....Misses Harrison
Violin Solo ....Mayo Perkins
"Easter in Africa"....Mrs. A. G. Jackson
Ladies Quartet—Misses Helen and Fern Martin, Miss Mabel Price and Mrs. Lucas
Reading—"The Transfigured Life".... ....J. A. Durrough
Reading ....Mrs. Fanny Hawkins
Instrumental Duet..Mayo and Mrs. Perkins
Essay ....Mrs. Della Marshall
Selections ....Female Quartet
Remarks—"Incident of the World's Brightest Day" ....Pastor

Mrs. Lucas provided Easter eggs for the Junior Endeavorers....Rev. Wm. B. Lowry of Fort Madison is visiting his mother in this city, who is ill.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Stakes, of Birmingham, has joined us as a resident.....The automobiles owned by Mr. V. H. Harris and Mr. R. A. Hill are just the card for the city, in which there will be a garage owned and controlled by colored men——The Hot Springs Echo will soon cooperate with the Arkansas Review Publishing Company. A few more shares left. Make haste. Write E. S. Lockhart, 339 Malvern avenue, Hot Springs, Ark......The Eastern Star have let the contract for a $5,000 Masonic Temple here, to be erected by Mr. T. J. Prichard, one of our prominent republicans....Our ministers alliance which convenes every Monday, is doing a great good from their pulpits....The Easter exercises were grand at Cottrell Chapel church, C. M. E. Our pastor, Rev. J. M. Reed, worked very hard for its success....Compliments due to the Douglass Industrial Association for its progress, being about three months old and having about three thousand members. It is owned and controlled by Negroes. Positions for experienced agents. Dr. H. H. Phillips, president; L. F. Amos, treasurer; J. L. Perry, secretary and manager.... J. R. Terres, of McKennay, Tex., was in the city for a few days....The Negro of the South are not all asleep on the "grand pa" clause.

LA PLACE, LA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A delightful oyster supper was served at the residence of Prof. E. Augustus in honor of Miss Ethel M. Preciah, of 1403 Burdette street, New Orleans, at which the following were present: Miss Colia Mizell and Messrs. M. A. and D. C. Goins ....Prof. E. Augustus left Saturday for Alexandria, La. He is a delegate to the Knights of Pythias convention.......The Goins Brothers are doing a nice business in La Place with their pressing shop. They are the sons of the Rev. A. W. Goins, pastor of St. Paul church, Monroe, La.

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss.
In the Superior Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana.
Arthur R. Williams vs. Ida Williams
No. 83355.
Complaint, divorce.

Be it known that on the 27th day of March, 1911, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Ida Williams, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Ida Williams, is not a resident of the State of Indiana, said cause is for divorce and said defendant is a necessary party thereto, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said Court, and answer or demur thereto on the 29th day of May, 1911.

Now therefore, by order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 29th day of May, 1911, the same being the 25th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the City of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in May, 1911, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

JOHN RAUCH, Clerk.
F. C. Riley, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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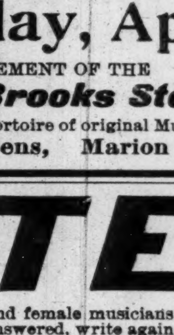

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In the Field of Sport.

BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

A "BUG'S" DREAM.

A baseball bug woke from a restful sleep
And yawned: That was a honey dream, I wish that I might keep;
I dreamed the gate man said I didn't have to pay
For my admission to the ball park every day;
The soda man said: "You've bought from me for these many seasons,
And now I'll make it up to you—for just that simple reason,"
But O, alas! I came to earth and found myself awake
There's no one's conscience troubling him—'twas just a baseball fake.

—John Edward Logan.

SPORTING NEWS.

The winnings of Ad Wolgast, champion lightweight, up to date have been $54,-000.

The Pekin Tigers, of Cleveland, O., opened the season April 24 and 25, with the Pittsburg Union Giants.

The Piqua Cubs, a colored baseball club of Piqua, O., is open for games at home or abroad. The club is a strong one and wants dates for the full season. Address, Lipton & Green, managers, care George Bowles, 305 Wayne street, Piqua, O.

Norman Selby (Kid McCoy), the former pugilist, is worth just $60, and has debts aggregating $21,470, according to a voluntary petition in bankruptcy filed in New York. Of the $60, clothing to the value of $50 is included. The remaining $10 is given as cash on hand. The schedule of liabilities includes $2,000 for rent, $4,150 for a boat and repairs thereto, and $3,300 borrowed money and outstanding notes.

It took Joe Jeannette nine rounds to finish Al Kubiak, the Michigan wonder, at the National Sporting Club last week. The New York Negro had the better of a slow fight which should have ended long before it did. Jeannette was the aggressor and forced his opponent at all stages. Both fighters were tired when the end came, but Jeannette managed to land a stifff wallop to the jaw, which had enough steam behind it to floor Kubiak, who tried to rise again but could not.

The Buffalo Giants will start the season with one of the fastest teams in Western New York, and will open the season on May 14, with the strong Depew Industrials at Depew, N. Y. The Buffalo Giants will leave Buffalo on June 15 and will play all through Pennsylvania and then through Canada. The Buffalo Giants are fast filling up their schedule for the season. Any teams wanting us for exhibition games must be quick. Address, W. A. Bright, 167 Elm street.

Willie Lewis, Young Loughrey and Sammy Smith, American fighters, were successful in signing up with fighters before clubs here. Lewis will meet Dixie Kid, the Negro American fighter, for twenty rounds. Loughrey will meet Blink McCloskey, of Philadelphia, for twenty rounds on April 26, and Smith will meet Henri Piet, the French lightweight, for twenty rounds in two weeks. The bout between Harry Lewis and Leo Houck, the American middleweight, scheduled for next Saturday night, has been postponed until May 3.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion, who has completed a twenty-five days' sentence in the county jail for reckless speeding, is suffering from an acute attack of stomach trouble. The big fellow had been confined to his ben in Cell 43 for the last two days. "It was that big dinner I didn't get on Easter Sunday that caused it," declared Johnson. "The judge told me I would be paroled on Sunday and after I had made all arrangements for a big celebration the sheriff said he would not stand for any such orders from the court."

GOODGAME, OF WEST BADEN THE SPRUDELS, PITCHES A NO-HIT GAME AGAINST PLUTOS.

WEST BADEN, IND.—John Goodgame, of Tallaadega College, new recruit of the Sprudels and a young ball player of about twenty years old, shut the Plutos out April 21 in one of the best games seen at Pluto Park. Goodgame struck out eleven men and gave one base on balls. There was not even a scratch hit. He was invincible to the heavy-hitting Plutos. Score:

Baden	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—3
Pluto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

LINE UP OF RANCH 101 AT AUGUSTA, GA.

R. Pitts, first base; S. Rickson, right field; C. Allen, second base; R. Minus, center field; A. illiamson, short stop; R. Heath, third base; E. Thurman, left field; A. Field, pitcher; P. Mabry, catcher.

Game played with Columbus Regulars on the 14th.

Stars of the game, Heath, known as Wagner, and Williams. Wagner one three-base hit, in first day game; Williams, home run in second days game.

A SLUGGING MATCH.

The Boys Have At It—Spectators Delighted at Paducah, Ky.

(By J. J. Amos.)

That sparring match at the Tennessee street skating rink Wednesday night of last week was quite interesting. Those lightweights, Percy Hatch and Bigger Hale, worked out nicely. Hale showed that he had the nerve to meet Hatch in the ring and put into effect a few heavy blows, but Hatch was a bit too responsive for his ring mate and according to the referee's decision received the honors.... What do you thing about Jim Fields and George Dowe? During the first, second, third and fourth rounds there were only a few blows passed between Fields and Dowe, but in the fifth Fields put one on Dowe's head just above the right eye. Dowe took it just as easy. It was said by some one in the audience that a blow from a feminine right hand would have been equally effective. The contestants are warm now? The latter part of the fifth, Dowe let Fields have one of his left hand swings that rested on Fields' ribs. Fields weakened, went down, but rose before his last count. Fields showed that he was not feeling like laughing, even if Dowe did tickle his ribs. In the beginning of this fistular contest Fields wore a tender, loving smile, but before the eleventh hour that same old smile had vanished. In the sixth round Fields made a few loose blows or fouls and, while almost completely exhausted and disabled by his powerful opponent, Dowe put one under Fields' chin and laid him down. After Referee Troggs count Fields was still down, showing that he required more than standing room. George Dowe was declared victorious and as a real Kentuckian, wore the hard-fought-for honors with dignity....Get The Freeman from John Amos, 1063 North Seventh street.

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HARRISON AGAINST REVIVAL OF BOXING.

CHICAGO.—Simultaneous with the set back given the prospects for boxing in Illinois at Springfield, Mayor Harrison came out flat-footed against the allowing of the sport within the city unless such a bill as s now before the legislature passes.

Harrison takes the stand that the sport is prohibited by State law at present and until such is changed there will be no boxing during his administration. Harrison also announced that the lid was clamped by Busse and that it would remain there as the present State law concerning boxing is in force.

HONORS EVEN.

Atlanta Deppins and Dixie Stars.

MOBILE, ALA.—The Atlanta Deppins and Dixie Stars played a series of four games in this city at Dixie Park, of which the honors were equally divided. Mr. W. D. Avery, business manager of the Atlantas, has about 140 games scheduled for this season. The boys showed up in good shape.

Mr. Dave Johnson has been added to the staff of the Dixie Stars, being given a position by the management.

Emanuel Hendricks did a clever piece of base running during the Atlanta series, scoring from second on an infield throw, reaching home safety on the fade away slide while the ball was still in play.

PLUTOS

Break Even With the Louisville Cubs at French Lick.

The Pluto baseball team broke even in Louisville Sunday. The Cubs won Sunday's game by a score of 13 to 5. The batting of McAdoo was a feature of the game. The Plutos redeemed themselves by coming back Monday and defeating the Cubs by a score of 12 to 3. The hitting of Higbee and O'Neil was the feature in Monday's game, Higbee getting two home runs and O'Neil one. Catcher O'Neil and Oliver; pitchers, Higbee, Stevenson and Williams; first base, McAdoo; second base, Toney; third base, Hanna; short stop, Sutton; left field, Jones; center field, Griff; right field, Higbee. We would like to hear from all first-class teams, A. B. C.'s preferred. L. Griff.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Bud Davis, one of the oldest players of the Mobile, Ala., club, has not been in the game since the contest with the Kansas City Giants owing to illness. He is better now and will soon be in the game again, holding down second base or short stop. The fans are looking for him. The club is getting in good shape.

We have in our city at present the Brooklyn Giants to play the Klothers Reds. Owing to the unfavorable weather the games are postponed until Saturday. The Reds are very strong at the present time with two new star pitchers. We are open to all first-class teams. We have met the Foster's American Giants and Kansas City Royal Giants. Hoping to hear from all teams desiring to visit the vapor city.

KLOTHER VS. BROOKLYN GIANTS.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—The weather was very unfavorable at the beginning of the week, but finally good weather came. The games were played beefore very good crowds and the park was fast. The shortstop for Brooklyn was the star of the games.

First Day's Game:	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	15	19	4
Klothe Reds	2	7	9
Second Day's Game:	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	12	11	2
Klothe Reds	5	7	6

At Majestic Hot Springs, Ark.: Mr. Oscar Carter, Estella Hams, Buddy McNeal, Katie Fisher, Laura Smith, May & May, Billy Earthquake, Dave Perdue and others.

A cool and enjoyable time can be found at the musical garden owned by Lockhart, Lockhart & McGowan.

BASEBALL IN SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

The St. Lake Occidentals (champions of Utah and intermountain region) defeated the Salt Lake State League team Sunday, April 16, by the score of 6 to 3. "Circus" Mooney twirled the game for the Occidentals, and held the heavy hitting leaguers to seven scattered hits, while the Occidentals gathered eleven hits off of Fred Annis (former Northwestern league southpaw), now with Salt Lake Lake club (white).

The features of the game were the brilliant fielding of Hawkins, the Occidentals' third sacker, and the hitting of Robinson, the bear cat on second, who secured three singles and a doubie in four trips to the plate.

The Occidentals are fast rounding into shape, and in another week will be going at top speed. Manager Black should be complimented for his wonderful progress in the colored baseball world. As the Occidentals is the only colored team playing in a State league (white). Last season they lost the pennant by one game. This year bids fair for the pennant for the Salt Lake Occidentals in the Utah State League. Our line-up in Sunday's game was as follows: Boss, short stop; Hawkins, third base; DLangford, right field; C. Burns, center field; Black, manager and captain, first base; Langley, catcher; Mooney pitcher; Robinson, second base; Kyle, left field. Harry J. Earl, manager of publicity for the Occidentals.

KANSAS CITY ROYAL GIANTS WIN FOURTEEN STRAIGHT GAMES.

The Kansas City Royal Giants, under the management of G. W. Walden, out of twenty-nine games, lost only nine. Fourteen straights after returning to Little Rock from Hot Springs.

The Royals played a double header with Shorter college, and the Baptist Shorter's were shut out 5 to 0; while the Baptists showed much more class and put up a swell fight for the honors, the score was 6 to 3 in favor of the Royals.

On Sunday, April 16, the Royals were scheduled in Memphis for a double-header with the Fay Ave Giants, which club had been greatly strengthened since their first defeat by the Royal Giants. Rube Washington in his home town was on the mound for the Royals, with Bolden catching, and who kept a sharp eye on second. While the crowd was very small for Easter, the Royal Giants never failed to show their class.

Scores:	
Royal Giants	23
Fay Ave Giants	2
Second game:	
Royal Giants	13
Fay Ave Giants	1

The fans seemed to think that Capt. Sunny Jim is the right one fo rthe coaching line.

THE MEMPHIS TIGERS.

Went Down Before the St. Louis Giants at Nashville, Tenn.

The Memphis Tigers opened up with the St. Louis Giants on April 2nd and 3rd, Capt. Zimmerman and his bunch of fast wonders making a hard struggle, went down both days to defeat, 4 to 3 and 4 to 1. On Sunday, April 16th, the Tigers landed the bacon from the Greenwood Giants of Nashville, winning a double header before a crowd of Memphis fans that registered 1,400 or 1,500 paid admissions. All the fans are praising Manager Smith, and think in a week or so he will have his boys in first-class condition and be ready for all comers. The score in Sunday's games was 8 to 2 and 5 to 1 in the Tigers' favor. The Tigers then followed the Nashville boys home and run them down on their opening day at Greenwood Park, 12 to 6. The feature of Sunday's games was the fast fielding and hitting of the Tigers and maybe Meridy can't run some bases; got six stolen bases in the two games on Captain Bug Rose, of Nashville. Look out, Coley, the way you are pitching and hitting, the big league will want you. The Tigers have two more games in Nashville and then they will return home and prepare for the Cuban Stars on April 21 and 23. Now, dear sir, I hope you will find enough space in one of your columns for this, and I will send you the adds every Monday.

THE FALL CITY GIANTS.

Getting Ready for Great Ball—Leading Teams Scheduled.

LOUISVILLE, KY.—The Falls City Giants are still in the eld and are going to give the local fans a treat this season by having all the best colored teams here. Next Sunday, Arpil 30, we have the Royal Giants, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; then the All-Stars, of Cuba; Philadelphia Giants, Atlanta Deppens and so on. We are trying to make baseball a success here this season, as this is one of the best baseball towns in the country. We are going to give every club which visits us a square deal, as we have as good an umpire in Honest Bill Lee as there is anywhere in the country, as he favors no club. All must win on their merits. We play some games abroad this year, and the officers say that they intend to have a first-class team or none, and above all else we are going to have good order, so everybody is welcome to come. We have a few open dates in July. President A. Houston, Vice-President Cal. Brown, Secretary Pete Walker, Treasurer Wm. Walker and S. R. Gibbs, manager and booking agent, are working hard for a successful season, as we intend to spare no time playing, but will continue working from morn till night for the future of baseball success.

WILL TAKE UP AVIATION.

Jack Johnson Selects a New Fad For Coming Season.

It is now said that Champion Jack will risk his precious avoirdupois in the flying game. He should beware of the fate of Jarvis Green. I believe that was his name, the very original at the business. It was many years ago whe nthe aforesaid Jarvis conceived the idea of flying after watching the gyrations of the "population" of the skies—the eagles and lesser breeds. His end was calamitous, to make a long story short. However, his end was no more calamitous than that of some nowadays, who still insist on invading the domain of the bird. The old colored woman said: "God didn't 'tend it to be dat way." She may be right; she may be wrong.

At any rate, Johnson seems to be honing for something exciting. Ennui is his undoing apparently. He must be up and going. If he is always in the way in his automobile he has figured it out that he will tackle the skies, where no mortal danger lies. To no other mortal, excepting Jack, will it prove dangerous. But the champion is of age and has as much right to spill his carcass in the mid-air as anybody else.

Here's what's said:

"Jack Johnson, world's champion heavyweight pugilist, will take up aviation, according to Robert M. Campbell, a representative of the National aviation meet, which will be held in Kansas City, Mo., this summer.

According to Mr. Campbell, Johnson bought a Curtiss biplane three weeks ago and as soon as he finishes his jail sentence in San Francisco he will go to San Diego, Cal., and take lessons in flying from Glenn Curtiss."

Well it is to be hoped that he will settle up his business affairs before he goes it alone. The story of the bear and the eagle in their flying lessons is appropriate. The eagle took the bear up for several lessons, before he thought it expedient to give the bear the final tryout. Each time the bear was dropped from the back of the master spirit of the air he swooped down swiftly, yet gently, caught him on his spreaded pinions and thus he alighted most calmly—it was peaches.

Now the trial day is on. Up, up soars Mr. Eagle—Mr. Bear right on his back. The time is up. "Are you ready, Mr. Bear," says the eagle. The bear eat it up. "O, yes," says he. The "guys" slided the "pulleys" slipped and the bear was on his own "resources." You know the rest—down, down amid the trackless ether as Beelzebub, who made that immortal descent, quickening the involuntary pace by the most improved laws of gravitation, so many pounds per square inch pressure, accelerated speed and the rest of it. The earth seemed as if glad to receive him; seemed to go out of its way to meet him; it met him with enthusiasm.

The eagle swooped down; he made inquiries; asked the bear how he liked flying. The bear said that flying was all right, but it was hell to light.

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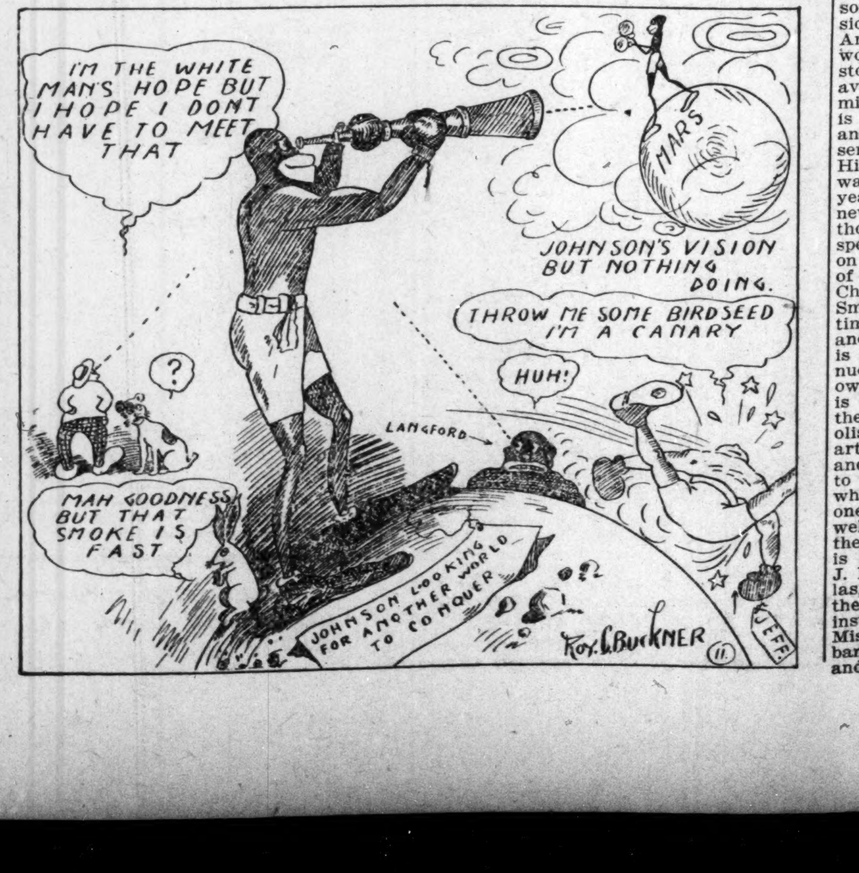
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LIMA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Roy Newman visited relatives and friends last week....Mr. Frank McGee returned to Detroit....Mrs. John Thomas has moved to her home on North Franklin avenue.......Mrs. Harrison and son were the Easter guests of Mrs. Webb Harrison, of South Woodland....Mrs. W. Harrison and sister, Miss Brown, are to open a bakery at 124 South Cole street....Miss Hazel Hicks spent Easter with her parents at West Spring. Miss Hicks is a pupil at Wilberforce University....Mr. Lafayette Hicks was in Lima last Tuesday....Mr. Ed Glover attended the district conference at Dayton this week. He acted as delegate from St. Paul A. M. E. church....Capt. P. McCown will lecture at St. Paul A. M. E. church next Sunday at 4 p. m....Mr. Rogers, of Columbus, is visiting Mr. Wm. Kemp....Mr. Levi Raymer has invented an extension window scaffolding that will be a great help painters, hangers of awnings and housewives who have exterior windows to wash....Mr. Chas. Mitchell desires to hear from Kid Hoyt, who a few weeks ago advertised for a match. The advertisement was answered by Mr. Mitchell, but he failed to receive a reply from said Kid Hoyt. He is desirous to know the reason of his delay in answering. .... If you don"t see your item in, don't forget to hand it to the reporter next week.

MOBILE, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The school of Mrs. A. D. Simington had a very creditable exercise at Emerson Institute Chapel last Friday night, for the benefit of the neew high school building. The children showed up well in recitations, drills and class songs, and the entertainment was a success....Mr. Theodore B. Ried, one of the ambition young men of this city, died on April 20, after a brief illness. Teddy, as he was generally known, was one among the class who have high ideals and interest of the race at heart, being a lover of any progressive movement of his people, church, school and society. At the time of his death he was in the United States mail servicee, and was also president of the Broad streeet High School Alumni, of which he took much pride in the advancement of progressive methods for his alma mater. Thee funeral services were held at St. Louis Street Baptist Church, and he was laid to rest in the family lot at Whistler, Ala. Rev. Joseph Ried, of Sioux City, Ia., and Mr. Commodore Ried, of Chicago, are in the city, being called here on that sad mission of death of their brother Theodore....Dr. Dan Johnson, formerly pharmacist at the Eagle Drug Store, left the city last week to go into service of the government, having passed the mail service examination with a very high mark. His headquarters will be in Birmingham.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

On Monday, April 17, Mallory Brothers furnished excellent music for a reception at Illinois Woman's College (white).... The Wednesday Art Club met recently with Mrs. Della Harris on West Morton avenue, and was royally entertained.... Misses Annie Cummings and Jimmie Johnson were representatives at Decatur, recently, of the A. M. E. Church....Mrs. Austin Carter of East Superior avenue spent Easter in St. Louis, Mo....The grand Easter ball given in April at Company L hall by the White Lilly Club, was largely attended. The latest dances were introduced. Hannibal, Quincy, Bloomington and Springfield were represented at the grand ball. Mallory's seven-piece orchestra, assisted by Burghardt Brothers from Greenfield, furnished excellent music.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

(By A. C. Oglesby.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Easter was fittingly observed at Allen chapel. The choir was out fifty voices strong and there was a prefusion of flowers. A large cross was the most attractive one, it sat right in front of the rostrum and to listen to the birds singing all over the church you would imagine you were away out in the woods, for bird cages could be seen in every direction and to listen to the music you would imagine you were near the New Jerusalem listening to the angelic choir. Duets, quartets and solos were scattered all over the church and you were kept busy looking all around wondering what the next treat would be. The pastor, Rev. Peck, preached a good sermon, but not the kind that our people are dying for. We have heard all our lives about Christ rising from the dead. Oh! that some minister would preach to us a practical sermon, one that would teach us how to live and not so much about how to die, for this is a world of the living and not of the dead. This is a live age we are living in and a dead one does not count for much. When a person dies you bury him for they are good for nothing else. Christ himself is a good example, for he said, "I am the God of the living and not of the dead..... Mr. Alex Oglesby joined the Second Baptist church last night. He will start to work at the Baltimore hotel today....At the Second Baptist church last Wednesday night was given a fine literary program and the Baltimore boys were out in full. Mr. Nelson Crews, the well known orator, was the principal speaker. He gave some timely advices to the members of his race. Lawyer Houston was also one of the speakers. He can always hold an audience spell-bound with that silver voice of his. Miss Pearl Waufall, a graduate of the Kansas State University, gave some very interesting dramatic reading, and she is a reader too. Miss Willie Dickson, of the Lincoln High School, gave a few minutes to elocution and she certainly brought down the house. Songs were rendered by Miss Caster Brown, of Iundaro University, and Mr. Byron Smith, of Lincoln High School....Rev. J. B. Parson, of 2021 East Nineteenth street, is sick at this writing....Colonel Austin, of Arkansas City, Kans., is in the city and working at the Baltimore hotel. He is stopping with A. C. Oglesby, 2629 Euclid avenue. His father is one of the leading ministers of the above city and Colonel is a model young man....Lemuel Alexander, a waiter of the Baltimore hotel, deserves special notice for he is a cartoonist. His cartoons have grace the walls of the waiters' dressing room for these many years, and they would be a credit to any newspaper or magazine. He is one of those beautiful flowers the poets often speak of, who are wasting their fragrants on the open air.... Mr. Scott Raffle, one of the waiters from the Tip Top Inn, of Chicago, is at the Baltimore....C. E. Smith, of Los Angeles, Cal., is at the Baltimore....Mr. George Tolver will open another tailor shop at 707 Wyandott. He is still in business at 1213 Baltimore avenue....Mr. F. Stewart, one of Indiana's own sons, and a citizen of Indianapolis, is now one of the many head-waiters of the Baltimore. The people of Indianapolis will be pleased to hear of Mr. Stewart's success. He is making good, too, and to the girls, well, this is rather sad to you, but it is the truth, and that is what you want, Mr. Stewart has married one of Kansas City's most beautiful as well as accomplished young ladies, and they are living a happy married life. He is living at 2417 Montgall avenue...... J. R. Bluitt leaves the Baltimore for Dallas, Tex....George Thomas is still on the sick list....Thursday night, the 13th inst., the Scottish Rite of this valley of Missouri gave their Monday-Thursday banquet. The tapers were extinguished and will be relighted Sunday morning. The dignitaries of the jurisdiction were there and their staff and L. D. Carter, Grand Counseller was there. Covers were laid for one hundred. There was a full attendance. The Hon. Frank Neal, the famous toastmaster, was master of ceremonies. G. W. Caron, of St. Louis, Mo., and A. D. Butler, of St. Joseph, Mo., both thirty-third degree members were also there. A delightful evening was spent.... Miss Jessie Herriford, of this city, has gone to Chillicothe to spend a few weeks.

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FALLS CITY GIANTS, of Louisville, Ky. Pete Walker, manager; R. S. Gibbs, booking agent. Address 1001-1003 West Walnut street, Louisville, Ky.
SOUTHERN GIANTS — Jim Houston, manager, Meridian, Miss.
MAJESTIC WHITE SOCKS—W. H. Newton, manager, 137 Central avenue, Hot Springs, Ark.
ALL CUBANS OF HAVANA, CUBA (the Western Team). Nat. C. Strong, business manager, World bldg., New York City.
CUBAN STARS OF HAVANA, CUBA (Eastern Team). Nat C. Strong, business manager, World bldg., New York City.
PHILADELPHIA GIANTS OF PHILADELPHIA, PA. Nat. C. Strong, business manager, World bldg., New York City.
ROYAL GIANTS OF NEW YORK. Nat. C. Strong, business manager, World bldg., New York City.
FAST HAVANA STARS. Arthur E. Bean, owner and manager, 104 W. 30th street, Chicago, Ill.
MEMPHIS TIGERS—W. S. Smith, manager, 921 Willoughby street, Memphis, Tenn.
NEW ORLEANS—Frank Walker, manager, 8838 Oak street, New Orleans, La.
FAY AVENUE GIANTS—W. S. Hunt, manager, 200 Beale avenue, Memphis, Tenn.
KLOETHE REDS—Dave E. Johnson, manager, 125 Gulpha street, Hot Springs, Ark.
KANSAS CITY ROYAL GIANTS—Geo. Walden, manager, 1005 McGee street, Kansas City, Mo.
THE KEYSTONES—Col. Edw. F. Mitchell, manager, 1313 Washington avenue, S. Minneapolis, Minn.
THE UNIONS—Dick Garrison, manager, 1006 Wylie avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.
FRENCH LICK PLUTOS—Elmer E. Pettis, manager, French Lick, Ind.
PENSACOLA GIANTS—Jas. Goldstucker, manager, Chase and Tarragona streets, Pensacola, Fla.
BLACK BRONCHO FEMALE B. B. C.—Conrad Kuebler, manager, 3133 North Broadway street, St. Louis, Mo.
ST. LOUIS GIANTS—Chas. A. Mills, manager, 2309 Chestnut street, St. Louis, Mo.
CHICAGO UNION GIANTS—W. L. Peters, manager, 1411 Grand avenue, Chicago, Ill.
A. B. C.'s—Ran Butler, manager, Fifteenth street and Northwestern avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.
THE ATLANTA DEPPENS — A. B. Speer manager, 546 Decatur street, Atlanta, Ga.
WEST BADEN SPRUDELS—C. I. Taylor, manager, West Baden, Ind.
CUBAN GIANTS—John M. Bright, manager, 76 Columbia avenue, West Hoboken N. J.
BUXTON WONDERS—G. L. NEAL and R. Sailes, managers, 34 East Fourth street, Buxton, Iowa.
MONTGOMERY STARS—W. Cobb, manager, 210 Hutchinson street, Montgomery, Ala.
THE MAROONS—W. H. Ford, president and manager, 3628 Central avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.
MOBILE DIXIE STARS—Wm. Benbow, manager, Dixie Park, Mobile, Ala.
LOUISVILLE CUBS—James Stringer, manager; Ed. Lancaster, booking agent, 616 West Walnut street, Louisville, Ky.
BROWN'S TENNESSEE RATS—W. A. Brown, manager, Holden, Mo.
COLORED BALL CLUB—James Oliver, 409 Olive street, Evansville, Ind.
PEKIN TIGERS—J. C. Morgan, manager, 2242 Scovill avenue, Cleveland, O.
LITTLE ROCK COLTS—C. Smith, manager, 1516 Scott street, Little Rock, Ark.
LITTLE MISSOURI GIANTS—C. Terrell, president; W. J. Ford, manager, 1122 Dodge street, Omaha, Neb.
CHICAGO LELAND GIANTS—Beauregard F. Mosely, secretary and treasurer, 6221 Halsted street, Chicago, Ill.
KLONDYKE BALL CLUB—R. D. Stokes, owner; D. Roseborough, manager, Columbia, S. C.
KANSAS CITY CYCLONES—A. S. Price, manager, 1732 Brooklyn avenue, Kansas City, Mo.
THE BLACK DIAMONDS—W. H. Hopkins, manager, Gen. Delivery, Starksville, Miss.
GREENWOOD GIANTS—J. Blaine Boyd, manager, 523 Second avenue, Nashville, Tenn.
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CITY AND SOCIETY.

W. F. Hines is convalescing.

Mr. Harry Ford is much improved.

Mrs. Susie Keys is able to be out again.

Miss Edith Moore is visiting in Greenfield.

Mr. J. D. Porter, of French Lick, Ind., is in the city.

Miss Mary Tabor, of Chicago, is a guest in the city.

Mrs. Ella Jamieson is visiting with her parents in Cairo, Ill.

Mr. Harry Mack of Glencoe, Ill., is in the city on business.

Mrs. Lucile Gray, of Mt. Vernon, Ind., is visiting in the city.

Mr. Clarence tSewart has returned after visiting in Xenia, Ohio.

Miss Amanda Wade has returned to her home in Danville, Ill.

Mr. Thomas Smith, who has been quite sick, is able to be out.

Mrs. Fannie Collins has returned from a pleasant stay in Xenia.

Mr. Champ Rice, of West Baden, Ind., was in the city last week.

Mr. Jerry Brice is in the city after an absence of three weeks.

Mrs. Jessie Turner returned to her home in New Albany last Sunday.

Master Charles Bybee has recovered from an attack of the mumps.

Mr. James Taylor is quite ill at his home in West Seventeenth steret.

Mr. Henry Bruce, of Buffalo, N. Y., was a visitor in the city last week.

Mrs. Mattie Brown, 616 Blake street, was somewhat indisposed this week.

Mrs. Drucia Lane, of Pittsburg, Pa., passed through the city last week.

Mr. John Montgomery, of Franklin, will spend Sunday with W. H. Fielding.

Miss Etta Clay entertained with an after-theater dinner Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Susie Morgan, of Muncie, spent a few days with friends here last week.

Miss Bessie Gribbin, of Marion, will spend Sunday with Mrs. J. H. Tucker.

Mrs. Greene, of Chicago, was a pleasant caller at the Freeman office this week.

The Bachelor's Club held a character dance at the Pythian Hall Friday evening.

Remember the Charity Ball given for the benefit of Lincoln Hospital, May 1st.

Miss Ada Hampton left Thursday morning for Toledo, Ohio, for a two weeks' stay.

Mrs. Jessie Saunders entertained at cards Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock.

Mr. Thomas Moore left Wednesday morning for a few weeks' visit in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. George Duke, of Frankfort, Ky., are in the city for permanent residence.

The Magnolia Club met with Mrs. William Scott, 534 West Eleventh street, Thursday.

Mr. W. J. Stovall, a noted railroad porter, of Chicago, spent a few days here this week.

Mr. George Cobbin, of Georgetown, Ky., passed through the city Sunday enroute to Chicago.

The Silver Star Concert Company gave a play entitled "Dr. Cure All," at the Mt. Zion Baptist church Tuesday night, which was very largely attended and was financially a great success.

Mrs. Myrtle Hart Frye, of Chicago, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hart.

The Womans Improvement Club will meet next Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ellen Posey.

Mrs. Alice Simmons, of Chicago, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Dora Mack, in Douglas street.

Master Robert Hatch, who has been confined to his home with scarlet fever, is much improved.

Mrs. Minnie Gates was severely burned about the hands and face last week from a gasoline stove.

Mrs. Lillian Baker, in West Twelfth street, is suffering this week with muscular rheumatism.

Mrs. Alice Kessee, of Dallas, Tex., will make this city her home. She is the guest of Madam McNairdee.

Mrs. Emma Martin and Miss Eunice Clarke, of Dayton, Ohio, spent a few days with relatives last week.

Queen Esther Court of Calanthe No. 264 will hold their regular meeting Thursday evening, May 4.

Mrs Minnie Scott will be the principal speaker at the Epworth League of Simpson Chapel Sunday evening.

The Mary Campbell Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. Alice Cheatam in Toledo street, next Wednesday.

The Charity Ball given for the benefit of Lincoln Hospital, will take place at the New Pythian Castle, May 1st.

Mr. Clarence Dunlap is now making his home at the residence of Mrs. Belle Davis, 919 North West street.

Mrs. Nellie Garrett, of Terre Haute, Ind., spent the past week with Mrs. Ellen Lewis, in West Michigan street.

Mr. Cornelius E. Jackson, of Bloomington, Ill., was in the city Saturday enroute from West Baden, Ind., to his home.

Mrs. John Cowherd, 743 Center street, who has ben confined to her home for the past two weeks, is able to be out again.

Miss Annabel Hutchinson, a teacher of Pembroke, Ky., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ora Lacey, in East Walnut street.

The Young Ladies Club will be entertained by Miss Maggie Keeth in West Eleventh street next Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Annie D. Johnson and her three children have gone to Richmond and Berea, Ky., to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. W. H. Fielding, the well known barber of this city, will move his place of business to 330 W. Michigan street next week.

Mr. James Swope has returned home from Danville, Ky., having been called there on account of the death of his mother and father.

Mrs. Minnie Jefferson, in North West street, was hostess to a pink tea party Thursday afternoon in honor of several guests of the city.

Mrs. Jennie Brown, Columbia avenue, received informally Monday afternoon Sixty guests were present and a pleasant afternoon was spent.

Miss Marie Higgins, in Yandes street, entertained Tuesday afternoon. A delicious three-course luncheon was served. Dancing was the pastime.

The Research Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Beck, in Blackford street, and held memorial services for Mrs. Viola Clark, who died recently.

Sunday school is rapidly increasing at Flanner Guild. Forty-eight children were in attendance at the Easter services and a good program was rendered.

Mr. Henry Bates, of Mobile, Ala., was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday. He departed Wednesday evening for Lexington, Ky., for an indefinite stay.

The Blue Grass Pleasure Club was royally entertained by Mrs. Herbert Henderson, 936 Superior street, last Friday evening. An excellent lunch was served.

Mr. Alexander Walker, 909 Paca street, was called to New Albany Sunday on account of the death of his sister, who had been an invalid for more than a year.

The dance given by the Frau Frau Club last Friday evening was a unique affair. The ladies were gorgeously gowned. One hundred and fifty invited guests were present.

Mr. Emerson Greathouse, son of Mr. and Mrs.fl Archie Greathouse, is visiting his parents and will soon return to Detroit, Mich., where he is engaged as a musician.

Mrs. Estelle Davis, of Chicago, arrived in the city Saturday as a week guest of Mrs. W. E. Brown in Senate avenue. Many sociail functions will be given in her honor.

Miss Alice Rollins, of Vincennes, visited with her mother, Mrs. Rollins and sister, Mrs. Olive Roundtree and returned home with her little niece Halcey Edna Roundtree Sunday.

Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey, Grand Worthy Counsellor of the Calanthe Courts of Indiana, and Mrs. Julia Reed, Grand Register of Deeds, were in Franklin this week on official business.

Mr. Sheppard Richman, who has been in Chicago in the theatrical work for the past two months, was taken ill and was brought to this city Sunday. He is now confined at the city hospital.

Madame C. J. Walker entertained Mrs. Mary E. Washington, of New Albabny, state lecturer of the Household of Ruth of Indiana, last Sunday. Among those present were Rev. and Mrs. B. J. Prince.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henson died at their home in Massachusetts avenue Tuesday morning. The Semper Fidelis Club is holding its meetings weekly. Mrs. Lillian Booker was hostess this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Snell Scott, of Chicago, was called to this city last week owing to the serious illness of her son, Bennie. He died last Sunday night at the home of her family, 432 W. Vermont St.Interred at Crown Hill Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. Schooler, in Martindale avenue, entertained a large number of friends Monday evening. The house was beautifully decorated and colors of pink and white were carried out. A dainty four-course luncheon was served. Cards were the attractive feature.

Dr. Joseph H. Ward, of Ward's Sanitarium, was called to Philadelphia last Monday morning, owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Bell Dunaway, sister of John Lindsay, of the postoffice. The doctor thought he would be home with his patient the latter part of the week.

The choir of the Mt. Zion Baptist church announces a musical concert to be given May 11th, for the purpose of purchasing a new book case, and musical supplies. The admission will only be 10c, and you will certainly be delighted with what you'll see and hear. Bring along a dime for refreshments. Mrs. A. J. Grubbs, director.

The entertainment given by the Ladies Board of Flanner Guild last Thursday evening, of which the subject, "Why the Married Life of Today is a Failure," was discussed, was an interesting and enjoyable affair. Mrs.| Estelle presided at the meeting, and the discussion was led by Mrs. Ella Peters. A prize was won by Mrs. Delia Morton for making the best talk in six minutes.

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RECEPTION FOR PROF. W. E. SCOTT.

The mebbers of the Epworth League of Simpson M. E. Chapel tendered Prof. Scott a reception at the home of his parents, in North Senate avenue, under the direction of Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, Monday evening. Mr. George L. Knox was master ceremonies. Toasts were given by the guests and responded to by Prof. Scott. Prof. Scott left Wednesday night for Paris, where he will further his studies in art.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

A day to be remembered when we are dead and gone is what the management of the Colored Y. M. C. A. are endeavoring to make of next Sunday at Castle Hall. The public is invited and nothing is being left undone to make this a day of historical value to Indianapolis. The doors to Castle Hall the new K. of P. building, will be thrown open to the public at 2:45 p. m. The beautiful auditorium will be used for the meeting. Prior to the opening of the doors the members of the Y. M. C. A. will meet at the Y. M. C. A. building, corner West North and California streets and with the association colors flying and headed by their own band, will march to the hall, arriving in time of the opening of the meeting proper at 3 p. m. A splendid program consisting of musical numbers will be rendered, together with messages of cheer and inspiration from representatives of the State and Central Y. M. C. A. together with prominent citizens. Everybody, male and female, should be out to see and hear all that will happen that cannot be written about at this time.

An entertainment for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. will be given at Simpson Chapel on May 18, under the direction of Miss Frances Berry.

Every Sunday morning at 8 a. m. gnds a fine band of men eager to study the Bible for one hour. This Sunday Rev. D. F. White will be the leader ,and Caleb will be the subject discussed. Every man is invited.

If you are not a member of the Y. M. C. A. now is the time to join. Take out a Summer Membership good to Sept. 15 for $1.00 with use of all privileges, including shower baths and gymnasium. Four and one-half months for $1.00 or 50c per month.

REV. ROBINSON IN THE CITY.

Rev. Dr. J. Francis Robinson, formerly of Indianapolis, now pastor of Hope Chapel A. M. E. Zion church, the third best of that connection in Mobile, Ala., is in the city for a brief stay. The doctor preached ably to a large congregation Sunday night last at Jones Tabernacle. He is in popular demand as preacher of special sermons to various benevolent societies and soon he is to preach the bassacaulareate sermon for the Broadway public school, Prof. Caldwell, principal. The doctor left Indianapolis for Mobile, Friday morning. While in the city he was entertained by Hon. George L. Knox, managing editor of the Freeman.

SIMPSON CHAPEL M. E. NOTES.

Rev. Henry W. Tate, D. D., Pastor.

The Epworth League, under the presidency of Mrs. J. L. V. Hill, is building up rapidly. The official board have appointed a committee on parsonage site with a view to purchasing in the future. The annual grand rally on the debts of the church will be held the 4th Sunday in October. Mrs. P. A. Tate, returned home Sunday after a three weeks' visit among old friends in Cincinnati. The latest organization is a junior choir under the auspices of the Epworth League. Mr. A. C. Bybee, chorister. Regular services Sunday by the pastor.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL COLORED M. E. CHURCH.

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Sunday school 9:30 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. The Woman's Board of Missions will render a program at 3:30 p. m. Sunday. A missionary offering will be taken. Necktie social by the Ladies Aid at the church Monday night, May 1st. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

Rev. J. F. Overton, of Muncie, Ind., was the guest of Rev. Thompson Sunday and preached a very interesting sermon Sunday evening.

Rev. J. W. Osley, pastor C. M. E. church of Covington, Ky., spent the week with his family here.

Mrs. J. L. Thompson will open a class for piano lessons at her home, 932 Paca street next week.

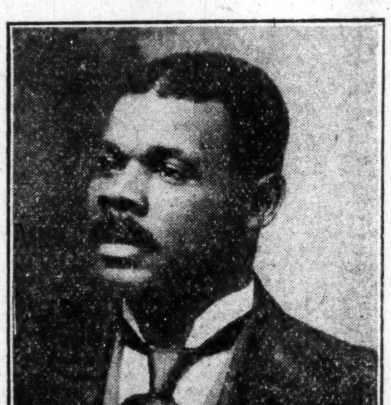
The Phillips Chapel choir with Prof. Wm. Lewis, organist, and Mrs. J. L. Thompson, chorister, are interesting the congregation. Hear them in their special music second Sunday in May.

A shower was tendered the pastor Friday evening by the choir.

THE LATE MIKE WELLS.

Mike Wells, one of the well known business men of Indianapolis, died at his home last Friday morning after a brief illness. Mr. Wells was forty-eight years of age and had been a citizen of Indianapolis for about fifteen years. He was born at Brownsville, Mo., but lived a number of years at Chattanooga, Tenn., from which city he came to Indianapolis. For a period of more than ten years "Michael" as he was familiarly called among friends, was an incessant factor in the commercial activities of Indiana avenue, the famous business thoroughfare of colored folks in the Hoosier metropolis. Mike has a host of friends and was well liked by all with whom he came in contact. He was not a "big nigger," and never aspired to be classed as one. His field was among the naturals, which constituted his real friends—friends upon whom he could rely for patronage and allegiance—friends who were what they were and nothing more. Like most men "Michael" had his faults perhaps, but who of us are there that have not? For his faults we can afford to extend the last simple charity, that of silence, and try to remember only the good qualities of the man which has left a host of friends who mourn his loss. While not a church man, Mike always showed a profound respect for Diety in all forms, never turning down a worthy charity. Let us hope he has found in God a merciful judge.

J. D. HOWARD.



THE LATE MIKE WELLS.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There was a grand baptizing here last Sunday, conducted by Rev. Altison, assisted by A. D. Campbell, of the Second Baptist Church. Sixteen were baptized. ....The M. E. ZiZon Church is progressing finely. Communion was served last Sunday....Rev. N. J. McCrackin, of the A. M. E. Zion Church of Cairo, stopped here Sunday and Monday....There was a box supper at the Second Baptist Church one night last week. There was a large attendance, and refreshments of all kinds. Mr. Ed Simpson says there were so many kinds of eatables he tried to get fat.... Mr. L. Short was called to Mattoon, Ill., to take charge as cook at the Rexford Hotel....Mr. Harvey Heiht has gone to Champaign, Ill., to work....Mrs. Edwards and granddaughter went to Decatur, Ill., to visit her daughter, last Friday....Mrs. C. Mosley and Mrs. M. Macklin arrived home today from Mounds, Ill., where they had been visiting....Miss C. Cash has gone to Chicago, Ill., to visit friends.... The Do Right Club gave a dance last Saturday night....Mr. Bob King is on the sick list....Miss Polly Hester was on the sick list last week, but is now up again. ....Mr. E. Johnson has bought a fine bird cage, and it looks like he will catch a bird soon....The Ladies' Industrial Club met at the home of Mr. A. Hinds one night last week, after transacting their business, etc., refreshments were served and a general good time was had....The promoters of the Ladies' Club tell the reporter of Centralia there are some few men who seem to be a little jealous of their good work and want to infringe on them, which is unfair. The men are getting up something similar, they say. If their work is good the men ought to have thought of it sooner, they say. They are serious and sincere in their work, and if the men can get up anything better they are welcome to it. It will not cause any hard feeling with them....Mr. Ed Simpson says he drives the best team in town. It may be so, but there are many teams here.... The Men's Progressive Club entertained their ladies and the Colored Women's Industrial Club at a reception Wednesday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Euclid Simpson, 615 Cormick street. The house was effectively decorated in the club colors, royal purple and white. The dining room was converted into a typical flower garden, white and pink carnations, ferns and potted flowers being used. Music and games were indulged in till a late hour, when the guests repaired to the dining room, where the following menu was served:

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Those present were: Misses Ethel O. Hedgemon, Mabel Williams, Lucy B. Johnson; Mesdames Carrie Campbell, Susie McAllister, Laura Simpson, Annie Ferguson, Ruby Skinner, Ellen Simpson, Lena Corneal, Mozelle Porter; Messrs. Earnest Johnson, Ed Simpson, Fred Ricks, James Skinner, Robt. Ferguson, H. J. McKinney, Chas. Corneal, Euclid Simpson.

OGDEN, UTAH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Well Wishers' Easter ball was a grand success, both socially and financially, there being a host of participants of the Salt Lake pleasure seekers arrayed in Easter costumes. After the bal the secretary of the new assembly club extended an invitation to the visiting friends of Salt Lake together with the members of the club, to officiate in a midnight cat supper which was elaborately served together with champagne corks flying around in the very spacious parlors and oh, you Easter gowns with their hobble effect. Mr. F. K. Turner was very busy on the floor in the interest of the guests to see to it that no one went away dissatisfied. Among those present were. Mr. B. Russell, J. Jackson, I. Early, Geo. Simmons and others with their ladies....Mr. S. I. Norris, who has been on the sick list for the last two weeks, is improving rapidly. On account of Mr. Norris being an important factor in church and Sunday school work, his absence is felt very much....Mr. Oscar Johnson, the agent and also the reporter for The Freeman, is reported ill. His illness was caused by a fracture of the bone of the right shoulder. Mr. Johnson made a trip to Rawlins on business and on his return trip to Ogden, in attempting to get into an upper berth for his night's rest, the curtain rod by which he assisted himself to his berth gave way and he fell to the floor in the aisle of the car, receiving a fractured sholuder as a result. The doctor was called and the wound was dressed, a diagnosis showing there was nothing serious about the fractured shoulder, but perhaps necessitating a period of two weeks before reporting for duty again. His many friends hope for him a speedy recovery....Mr. Geo. Bunch, an old Ogdenite, who for the last year has been living in Pocatelle, Idaho, has moved back to Ogden like the prodigal son, he has come home to (die) live. Mr. and Mrs. Bunch are residing at 2918 Wall avenue with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Merriweather. Mr. and Mrs. Bunch have always played an important part in the society circles of Ogden, therefore the hand of welcome has been freely extended. Mr. Bunch is among our new subscribers....Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson entertained the Progressive Whist club at their residence, 3006 Adams avenue. The following couples participated for the honors: Mr. T. W. Green and Miss Mae Alexander; Mr. B. F. Shaw and Mrs. Morgan; Mr. W. H. Brown and Mrs. Butler; Mr. C. C. Johnson and Mrs. Lillian Wells; Mr. John Wheeler and Mrs. Clifford Oliver; Mr. I. I. Morris and Mrs. Brewer; Mr. Ray Smith and Mrs. Ernst; Mr. Joseph Miller and Mrs. Greer. The first honors were awarded to Mr. C. C. Johnson and Lillian Wells. The booby prize was awarded Mr. John Wheeler and Mrs. Clifford Oliver. A sumptuous repast was served as a fitting climax to the very enjoyable the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Geo. affair....Mrs. Lillian Wells, who has been Johnson, left Sunday for Kansas City, Mo. ....The Freeman can be obtained each week at Mr. Anderson Kyles' barber shop, 153 Twenty-fifth street.

STARKVILLE, MISS.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Alexander gave a tea in the afternoon of April 10 in honor of Prof. Singleton, of Kosciusko, Miss. There were present Prof. D. C. Rodgers, James Emerson, Inez Cobb and Lucy Connell, and each and every guest had a sociable time....Rev. Slate Pastar and Mr. A. D. Galispie, of Meridian, Miss., arrived in our city on last week....Mrs. Georgia Harris, of Birmingham, Ala., is in the city, visiting relations and friends.... Miss Comfort, of West Point, Miss., was the guest of Miss Mattie Montgomery on last Sunday, April 15....Mrs. Maud Perry departed on last Sunday for Ackerman, Miss., to spend an hour or two with friends....Eurlee Williams paid West Point a pleasant visit on the 14th....Mr. Joe Curry, of Durant, Miss., was with us on Easter Sunday....Miss Emma Drungvanire was in our city Monday from Sassums, Miss., where she has been teaching school for the last six months....Mr. Charlie Williams paid Greenwood, Miss., a pleasant visit on last week, and reports his trip a pleasant one....Rev. N. C. Wicks, of West Point, Miss., was with us on last Thursday....Mr. Joe Bell arrived in our little town on Tuesday from St. Louis, Mo....Mr. Walter Perry and Mr. Charles Montgomery departed on last week for Mobile, Ala....Dock High, of Stargis, Miss., was in our town on last Saturday....The Freeman can be found every Saturday at N. F. Daily's store.

M'COMB, MISS.

The reception given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker last Friday night, at the home of the groom's mother and father, was beautifully illuminated with lanterns. Prof. A. W. Jones sang a solo, which was greatly appreciated. The bride's party led the march to the table, where they were delightfully served....Mrs. Henry James spent Easter in Hammond, La. ....The Old Folks Concert was repeated last Friday....The Easter carnival is said to have been the greatest ever seen in McComb....Prof. Jones is doing all he can for his people in the outh....What has become of McComb's baseball team?.... Prof. W. A. Right, of the insurance company, is in uSmmit this week....When coming to McComb stop at Mrs. Thomas'. ....See Prof. Jones for the Freeman.... Mr. John Crosley has left to make his home in Chicago, Ill.

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EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.

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The St. Luke A. M. E. Church will conduct their annual May fair beginning May 9 and closing May 16, under the auspices of the Dorcas Sewing Circle....The Knights of Pythias and Courts will hold their annual sermon at St. Paul Baptist Church, Sunday, May 7....Brother Burl Miller died on the 23d inst. Interment will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery. He being one of our oldest citizens, we feel the loss deeply....One of our favorite teachers, Mrs. Gee, has been very ill, but is now recovering....Horace and Johnny Eubanks have departed to join the Forepaugh-Sells show....The Knights of Pythias will hold their annual session in East St. Louis.... The Ladies have organized a Y. W. C. A. and have quite a large membership.... East St. Louis is progressing rapidly and will be favored in the near future with a colored fire department and officers in blue. We already have four detectives and one deputy sheriff. We are blessed with numbers of prominent men to promote our advancement, including three of our best colored lawyers, two dentists and five leading physicians; also one dealing in real estate....Papers for sale at J. R. Kyle's barber shop and George Kyle's pool room.

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